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U.S. MAY REVISE PACIFIC POLICY

FORTIFICATION NECESSARY TO PROTECT TRADE INTERESTS

JAPANESE BLAMED FOR THREAT TO PEACE

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

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Washington, Mar. 27.
Observers here believe America's Far Eastern policies may be revised when the Washington Naval Treaty expires on December 31, 1936.

The new three-power London Treaty leaves the nations the right to pile up forts and guns as they desire in their Far East possessions. Whether the United States will take advantage of this opportunity depends upon whether she decides to remain an important Far Eastern power.

From a purely naval technical viewpoint the Hawaiian and Philippine fortifications are becoming obsolete. However, Guam and other American points in the Pacific at present unfortified, could be used as powerful strategic outposts if desired.

When the Washington Treaty was signed in 1921, the Powers agreed to preserve the status quo in the Pacific and established a five-five-three naval ratio which gave Japan equality in battle in Far Eastern waters, where she was nearer her bases of operation. It was further agreed that there would be no further fortification of Pacific points.

Peace Crumbling

The edifice of peace commenced to crumble in 1931 when the Japanese Army went into Manchuria and it collapsed still further when the Japanese restricted the trade of foreign powers in Manchuria.

The carefully built peace foundation further disintegrated when the Japanese withdrew from the London naval conference this year.

Meanwhile the United States had been appealed to remain in the Pacific arena when she granted the Philippines—long a principal base of naval operations in the Far East—the independence the islands desired.

America's Policy

America's policy in the Pacific was based in the past on the belief that China was potentially the world's richest market and should be kept open to American exports at all costs. Since some members of the Administration maintain that American compliance with the rules of the Far East game for economic reasons, a strong Pacific fleet would be necessary, it is possible that the United States' possessions across the ocean may be further fortified.

However, if it is not economically valuable the United States Pacific fleet strength might be limited to a force sufficient to repel any invasion of the Hawaiian Islands or the mainland of America, including the Alaskan territory.—United Press.

Queen Mother Honoured

OFFICE OF GREAT DISTINCTION

London, Mar. 27.
Queen Mary has been appointed Grand Master of the Order of the British Empire, a most unusual distinction, as the office has never previously been held by a woman.

King Edward VIII relinquished the Grand Mastership when he became King and automatically Sovereign of the Order.

Queen Mary is already a Dame Grand Cross of the Order and now becomes Grand Master and Principal Dame Grand Cross.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

KING'S NEW RANK

London, Mar. 27.
His Majesty the King has assumed the rank of Colonel-in-Chief of the London and the first time yesterday.

FEAR OF FRESH CLASHES

JAPANESE MASS ON FRONTIER

MOSCOW REPORT OF FIGHTING

(Special To "Telegraph")

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Moscow, Mar. 28.
An official Ulanbator despatch states that Japanese and Manchukuoan soldiers are concentrating in the Outer Mongolian frontier district, near Lake Buir. The third armed clash of the week is therefore expected.

It is stated that once this week three truck-loads of Japanese attacked a Mongolian frontier post but were repulsed.

Again, on Tuesday, 200 Japanese fired on a post with rifles and machine-guns and artillery.

At daybreak on Thursday the Japanese troops crossed the river Khalkin and occupied a Soviet post, but retreated to Manchukuo soil quietly when a Mongolian war plane flew over their position.—United Press.

BRITISH SOCIAL SERVICES

ESTIMATES FOR NEXT FINANCE YEAR

London, Mar. 27.
Estimates for the next financial year for Health and Labour Insurance, at £102,724,955, and for trade and industry at £15,836,825, show decreases of £4,954,219 and £2,387,574 respectively, compared with the total estimates for the current year.

The total estimates, however, include supplementary introduced during the year, amounting to nearly seven million pounds in each case.

Estimates of the amount required for grants to the Unemployment Fund and Unemployment Assistance Fund, at £45,000,000, are £5,130,000 less than for the present year, indicating the marked improvement in trade and employment which has occurred in the last twelve months.—British Press Service.

Hitler Fiercely Defends Germany's Honour



A large number of the German community greeted Dr. Oscar P. Trautmann, German Ambassador to China, when he passed through Hongkong on Thursday en route to Berlin. Shown above from left to right are Dr. Altshoff, Consul General in Canton; Frau Gipperich; Dr. Trautmann; Frau Trautmann; and Herr Gipperich, Consul General in Hongkong.—Staff Photographer.

ETHIOPIA AGAIN PROTESTS

RED CROSS UNIT ESCAPES BOMBS

BUT NATIVES ARE SLAIN

Addis Ababa, Mar. 27.
The Swedish ambulance unit on the Southern Ethiopian front is reported to have been partly destroyed during the heavy bombardment of Gobb, in Bale Province, this morning.

The unit affected is apparently that under the command of Dr. Hylander, which was bombed with loss of life near Dolo in December. The Swedish Government lodged a sharp protest on that occasion.—Reuter.

AMBULANCES ESCAPE

Paris, Mar. 27.
The Italian air raid over Gobb resulted in many native casualties, it is reported, but the Swedish ambulance unit took refuge in the forest and none was injured.

The Ethiopian Red Cross has lodged another protest with the League of Nations as a result of this bombardment.—Reuter.

STRATEGIC MOVE

Addis Ababa, Mar. 27.
Emperor Haile Selassie, who is personally commanding the great bulk of the Ethiopian Army, has moved with a mass of men from Khoran to a point near Solota, 100 miles east of Gondar, thus strengthening his strategic position.—Reuter.

Labour Keeps Llanelly

SOUND MAJORITY IN BY-ELECTION

London, March 27.
Labour retained Llanelly at the by-election caused by the death of Mr. J. H. Williams, who was returned unopposed at the General Election.

The result of the poll was declared to-day as follows:
Mr. James Griffiths (Lab.) 32,198
Mr. W. A. Jenkins (Nat. Lib.) 15,937

Lab. majority 16,221

Mr. Griffiths is the President of the South Wales Miners' Federation, while Mr. Jenkins was formerly an M.P. At the last contested election, in 1930, Labour had a majority of 16,083.—Reuter Special.

FRANCO-SOVIET PACT

Paris, March 27.
M. Flanlin, French Foreign Minister, and M. Litvinoff, Russian Foreign Minister, today exchanged ratifications of the Franco-Soviet Pact, which becomes operative to-day.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

Ready To Grant New Reprieve

Hauptmann Case Reeks Of Unfairness and Passion

(SPECIAL TO "TELEGRAPH")

Trenton, March 27.

Governor Hoffman has issued a statement to the effect that when he reprieved Bruno Hauptmann, condemned to die for the murder of the Lindbergh baby, he believed he had no legal right to grant a second reprieve.

"If the Federal authorities will advise me that I do have the right to reprieve a second time I shall be glad to exercise it. I am firmly convinced that Hauptmann was not given a trial in line with what we consider American standards of justice, but the whole affair reeks of unfairness, passion and prejudice.

"I believe other persons were connected with the crime and that the state police are making no honest effort to find them.

"I think it would be healthy to have a legislative investigation of the Governor, the Attorney-General, the State Police, the Prosecutor and other participants in the Lindbergh case."—United Press.

POLICE OFFICER PASSES

MR. W. E. MEADOWS IS TYPHOID VICTIM

The Hongkong Police Force has lost a capable and zealous officer by the death, which occurred from typhoid at the Government Civil Hospital this morning, of Acting Sub-Inspector William Edward Meadows, at the age of 35 years.

The deceased, who was unmarried, came to Hongkong from Northampton in 1901, and for the greater part of his service been attached to the Criminal Investigation Department, though latterly he served with the Special Branch.

He had been several times commended by the I.G.P. for meritorious service—in connection with an armed robbery at Quarry Bay, robbery on a junk at Joss House Bay, and an attack on a woman at Tainan Street, Shamshuipo.

In 1932, he was commended by H.E. the Governor for good work as the O.I.D., and in 1927 he received the commendation of the naval authorities for service at Blas Bay.

The funeral takes place this afternoon, arriving at the St. John's Road entrance at the cemetery at 2.30 p.m.

THOUSANDS WELCOME NEW LINER

COMMANDER'S HIGH PRAISE

QUEEN MARY AT SOUTHAMPTON

(Special To "Telegraph")

London, Mar. 27.
Tens of thousands of people journeyed to Southampton to witness the arrival of the giant Cunard liner Queen Mary at her home port from the north. Special trains ran from London.

The towering ship entered the graving dock safely.

Sir Edgar Britten, the captain of the Queen Mary, when interviewed by Reuter, was obviously delighted with the voyage from the Clyde. He said, "She is the finest ship to handle I have ever been in."

Heartiest congratulations were sent by wireless from the Commodore of the Hamburg-America Line and the Commodore of the Bremen. The former said: "May the Queen Mary become the queen of the North Atlantic and the pride of the mercantile marine."—Reuter Special.

QUICK WORK

London, Mar. 27.
The Cunard-White Star liner Queen Mary, having reached Southampton waters early this morning, this afternoon at high tide moved into the world's largest graving dock—the King George V Dock, specially constructed for the reception of the Queen Mary and ships of similar or greater size up to 100,000 tons.

Immediately afterwards, pumping operations started to drain 200,000 gallons of water out of the basin. The docking of the great liner was carried out without a hitch, only 25 minutes elapsing between the opening and closing of the lock gates.—British Wireless.

FRANCE WARNED BY GOEBBELS

ATTACK WOULD COST COUNTLESS LIVES

CHANCELLOR DEMANDS NATIONAL UNITY

Essen, Mar. 27.

"Without internal peace Germany must perish.

"There can be no victors nor vanquished. Peace can only be founded on equal rights and equal honour.

"Don't talk to me of the holiness of treaties! When have treaties been more broken than during the last eighteen years?" These were high-lights of the address of the German Chancellor, Herr Adolf Hitler, delivered here to-day.

The intensely nationalistic appeal of the Chancellor was followed by a moving address by Dr. Josef Goebbels, the Minister for Propaganda, who, reminding France of Germany's love of peace, added: "Attack us and you will find that every inch of territory conquered would cost you thousands of lives."

ONLY PRO-NAZI VOTE IS VALID

GERMANY'S STRANGE ELECTION

OPPOSITION IS COVERT

Berlin, Mar. 27.
The election campaign now ending might be described as an Alice in Wonderland fight. For though there is only one party in the field and only votes in favour of this party are valid, the polling is being preceded by what is probably the most intensive election campaign ever known anywhere.

Herr Adolf Hitler, the Chancellor, has himself made ten major election speeches and one or more of the Ministers of the Cabinet has visited practically every part of the country.

Cinema, wireless, newspaper and poster appeals continually remind the people of the necessity of national solidarity. Motor vehicles, barges and railway locomotives display slogans. Huge portraits of Herr Hitler have been erected at the railway stations and personal canvassing is most intensive.

Many voters believe their votes are likely to be compelled, and they are voting "Yes" to be on the safe side. Their suspicion that the manner in which they mark their ballots may be perceived by scrutineers does not appear to be well founded, but it is likely to have a considerable effect, especially in the rural districts.

Although covert opposition to the Nazis is revealed by acts such as the tearing down of election posters during the night, it is anticipated that the Nazi majority, according to the ballot, will be about 90 per cent.—Reuter Special.

NATIONALISING SHIPPING?

REICH TO CONTROL BIG LINES

Berlin, Mar. 27.
The Reich is acquiring the majority of the new shares to be issued by the North German Lloyd and the Hamburg-America Lines.

The State will also consent to the financial reorganization of both lines, and will relieve the companies of their debts to the banks, amounting to £10,000,000.—Reuter Special.

Using the chassis of a railway engine for a platform in Krupp's huge locomotive shop, made his ninth election speech preceded by one minute's silence throughout the country.

World Hears

It is estimated that the Chancellor's address was heard by 1,000,000 persons, directly or through loud-speakers, but the words of Herr Hitler rang around the world as well, for the speech was broadcast.

He said he had chosen to speak at Essen because there was no better symbolical place from which to address the workers, only he founded the German Empire. His hearers were not only the forgers of armaments, but the forgers of peace, he said.

He reviewed the beneficial changes the Nazi regime had effected in Germany's economic life during the last three years. He remarked that his predecessors had talked for fifteen years, but that at the end of that time somebody had to act.

"I came and I acted," he declared.

Unity Essential

Der Fuehrer emphasized the importance of unity for a nation to obtain its rights, not only politically and economically, but as humans.

"We have discovered a new national consciousness. Without internal peace Germany must perish.

"There can be no victors nor vanquished. Peace can only be founded on equal rights and equal honour."

He added that he did not seek war with other nations. They only saw the possibility of a great understanding for the benefit of all. They wanted foreign businessmen to respect their internal affairs.

Family of Europe

Europe was like a family. And it was not right, declared the Chancellor, that one family should continually intrude in the house of another.

Germany, he said, had no interest in France or Belgium or any other country.

"Don't talk to me of the holiness of treaties!"

"We have treaties been more broken than during the last eighteen years!" he demanded.

The German word, he said, was just as honourable as any other nation's.

Germany, he said, wanted only quiet and peace, work and bread, and decent life.—Reuter.

Goebbels' Questions

Essen, Mar. 27.
Dr. Josef Goebbels, the German Minister of Propaganda, followed Herr Adolf Hitler on the programme of addresses at Essen to-day.

He was addressing France when he said: "Have we insulted you, injured you or invaded you? We shall not attack you; but our love of peace should not be taken for weakness."

"Attack us," he challenged, "and you will find that every inch of territory conquered would cost you thousands of lives."—Reuter Bulletin Service.

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£10,000,000 SURPLUS?

British Treasury Surprised by Death Duty Windfalls

NO INCREASE IN TAXATION

INQUIRY FOR CHEAPER WHISKY

BRITAIN IS HEADING FOR A £10,000,000 BUDGET SURPLUS. THE BALANCE-SHEET IS ALREADY £5,000,000 BETTER THAN IT WAS A YEAR AGO.

Of this amount, income-tax payers have contributed nearly £3,000,000 more than a year ago, and there are still six weeks to the end of the financial year.

Only another £10,000,000 a week is required from income-tax payers between now and the end of the month to help the Chancellor reach his estimates.

But income-tax will doubtless yield more than that. £15,000,000 a week was being paid by income-tax payers a few weeks ago.

Treasury officials have been surprised at the huge amounts that are coming in from death duties.

These have already yielded over £6,000,000 more than a year ago. There are two main reasons for this.

Rise in Values

One is that the value of land and securities has risen with the industrial revival.

The other is that the middle-class population is growing.

The number of people who now leave enough money to render their estates liable to Duties is twice as many as before the war.

Revenue from Customs Duties is nearly £10,000,000 more than a year ago.

Excise Duties have yielded £1,700,000 more than a year ago. Expenditure is growing, too.

Tax Reduction

The extra payments to the unemployed and emergency spending on the reorganisation of the defence system has involved an increase of £17,000,000 on the expenditure side of the Budget.

But revenue is up by well over £22,000,000, so that no increase in taxation need be feared.

On the other hand, reductions of taxation are possible.

In any case, income-tax payers will pay less under the new Budget.

This is under a concession which was passed in last year's Budget, but only comes into operation this year.

The Chancellor has caused the Treasury officials to investigate the whisky-tax in order to see if a reduction would lead to increased sales.

An inquiry is also being made to see if a further reduction of tax on the cheaper cinema seats is possible.

Heart Diseases Are Bogies

Vienna, Mar. 24.

If you feel a pain in your heart, don't worry; there is nothing the matter with your central organ, says Professor K. F. Wenckebach of the Vienna University, Austria's foremost authority on heart diseases.

This prominent specialist in a lecture on patients suffering from non-existent heart diseases" maintained that, as a rule, cardiac diseases are not felt at the heart but in distant organs.

If a patient clutches his heart in great pain, the experienced doctor knows at once that it is nothing serious, but merely nervous trouble, according to Wenckebach.—United Press.

TROOPING THE COLOURS: ON JUNE 23

London, Mar. 23.

The ceremony of trooping the colour will take place on the King's birthday on June 23. The ceremony will take place, as usual, on the Horse-Guards Parade and the King then, for the first time since his accession, will ride at the head of his troops back to Buckingham Palace.

It will be recalled the King, when Prince of Wales, acted for his father at the trooping of the colour, two years ago and rode at the head of the Guards on their march from the Horse Guards Parade to Buckingham Palace, where he took the salute at the march past.

Mussolini Abandons Culture Sanctions

Rome, Mar. 5.

Italy abolished her "intellectual sanctions" to-day.

In the first stages of the Italo-Ethiopian war, when the League of Nations decreed the punishment of Italy by financial and economic sanctions, Italy retaliated by forbidding the performance of plays, musical productions, and movies from sanctionist nations and the introduction of books written by nationals of such countries.

To-day the Ministry of Press and Propaganda, according to the communiqué, "imparted the necessary order for re-establishing the normal situation of the exchanges of the works of genius"—Associated Press.

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BRITAIN WARNS OFF ARGENTINA

FALKLAND ISLANDS.

Mr. Anthony Eden, British Foreign Secretary, has disclosed that Great Britain still considers the Falkland Islands off the American continent as British territory.

In a written answer to a House of Commons question recently, he said that Great Britain had warned Argentina that the issuance of postage stamps showing the islands to be Argentina's property "can only be detrimental to the good relations of the two countries."

Mr. Eden was asked by Lord Apsley whether Great Britain had taken any steps to object to the stamps and "Whether any international convention exists to prevent the issue of misleading stamps of this kind."

Mr. Eden answered: "In so far as the issue by the Argentine Government of the stamps in question is based on an assertion of an Argentine claim to the Falkland Islands, I welcome the opportunity of stating that His Majesty's Government cannot admit any such claim to the islands, which are British territory."

"The Argentine Government already is well aware of the views of His Majesty's Government on the subject, but His Majesty's ambassador in Buenos Aires has been instructed once more to draw the attention of the Argentine Government to the fact that no useful purpose can be served by the issue of the stamps in question, which can only be detrimental to the good relations of the two countries."

"The answer to the second part of the question is in the negative."

The Falkland Islands are 300 miles east of Patagonia, the southern tip of the American continent. They are about 100 in number with a population of only 2,200.

They were first discovered by the British near the close of the sixteenth century. In 1764 the French took possession. Two years later the Spanish bought the colony which had been established there.

The British tried to take West Falkland in 1767 but were driven out by the Spanish. Great Britain finally took possession in 1825, but Argentina for many years has protested her right to sovereignty.

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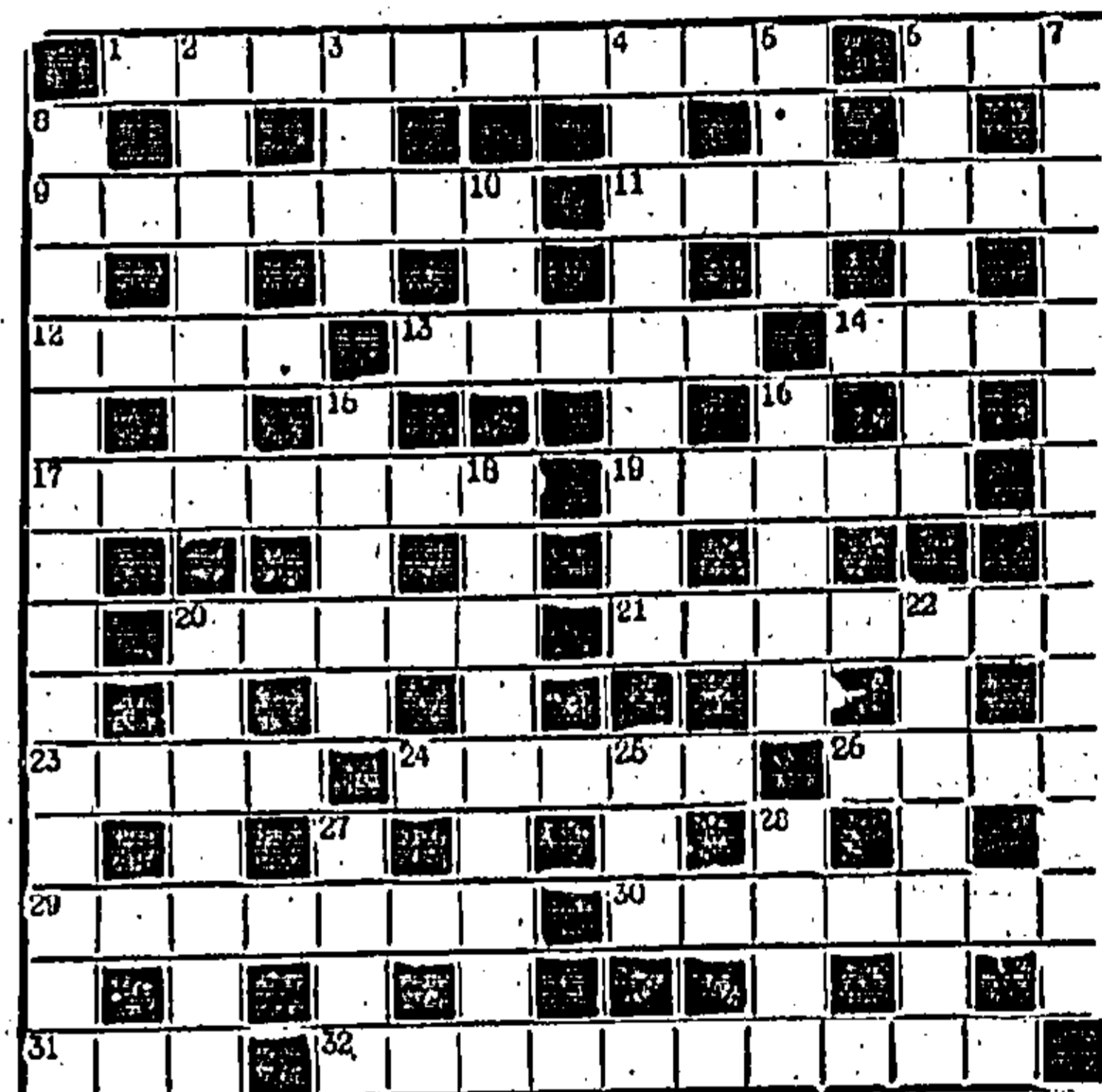
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- Could be taken from some ethical work, and quite fitting.
- Bear with misery to the end.
- Dregs that float.
- Hot replies, probably.
- Proverbially shaky, like the author's means of support.
- The nautical animal.
- Drawing—never framed.
- Had some of the fish.
- Stenals for the self-righteous.
- Doubtless, this is what Babus would have taken with his whisky—if he'd had any whisky.
- Modulate.
- Naturally, his girl could be.
- By being put outside it would become fruit.
- It's the centre section of these summer pests that they never seem to do.

DOWN

- It is, seemingly, at a gentleman of colour that things get shot off so frequently.
- Dry.
- You can't do it if you've bitten off more than you can chew.
- The age is dated.
- I hide between two vessels in the palace.

- Top his cargo, men (anag).
- You can't escape from organs in this county.
- This fish is the same as the garfish.
- The filth that comes when the frog fishes.
- Oaks are a feature of this village.
- A euro salt—if properly mixed.
- There's a good deal of badnago when you bargain thus.
- Ask in a place where they sing.
- As a class, motorists do not approve of this silence.
- One takes in a score of the places where they sing.
- What the Yankees call sand.

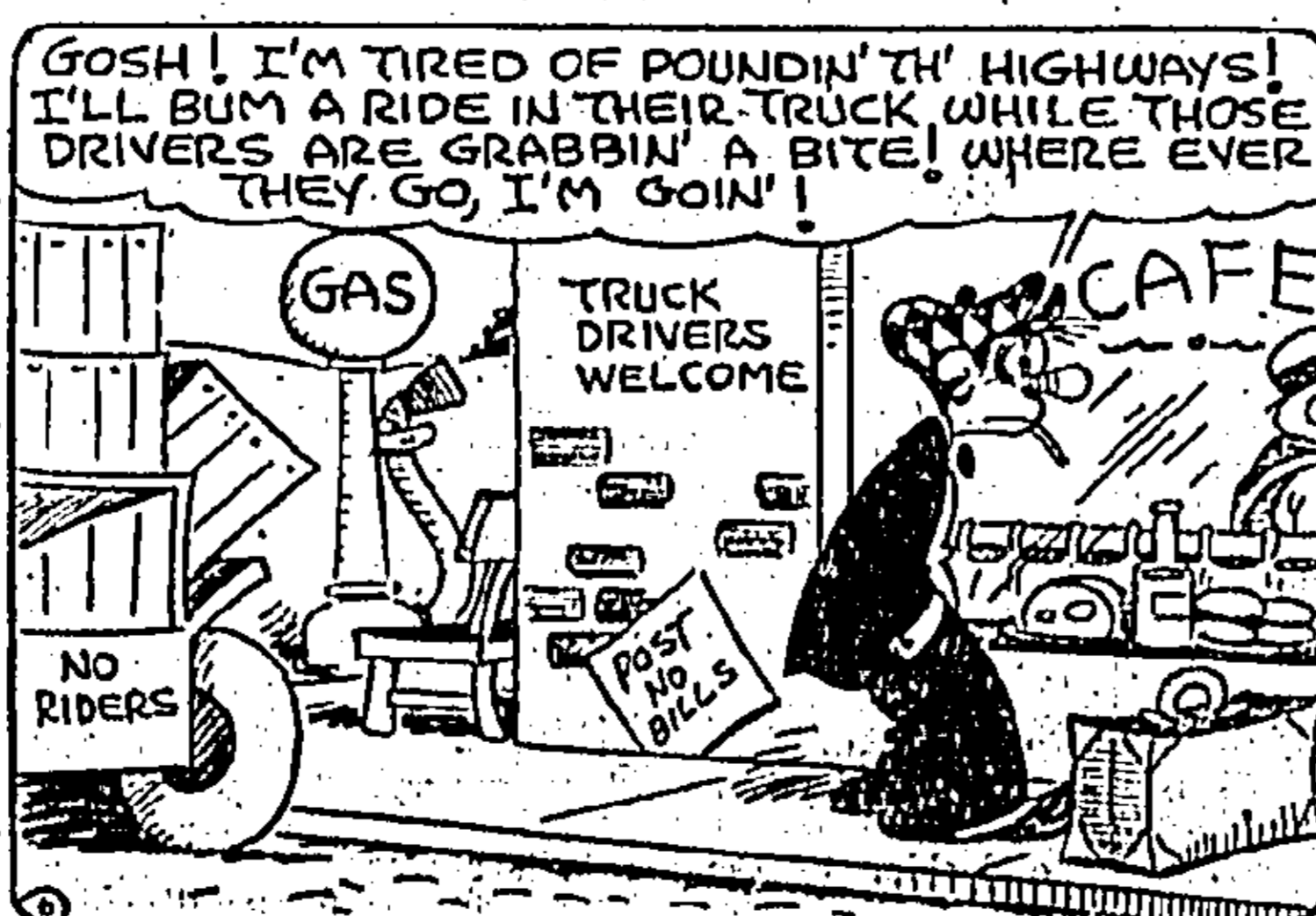
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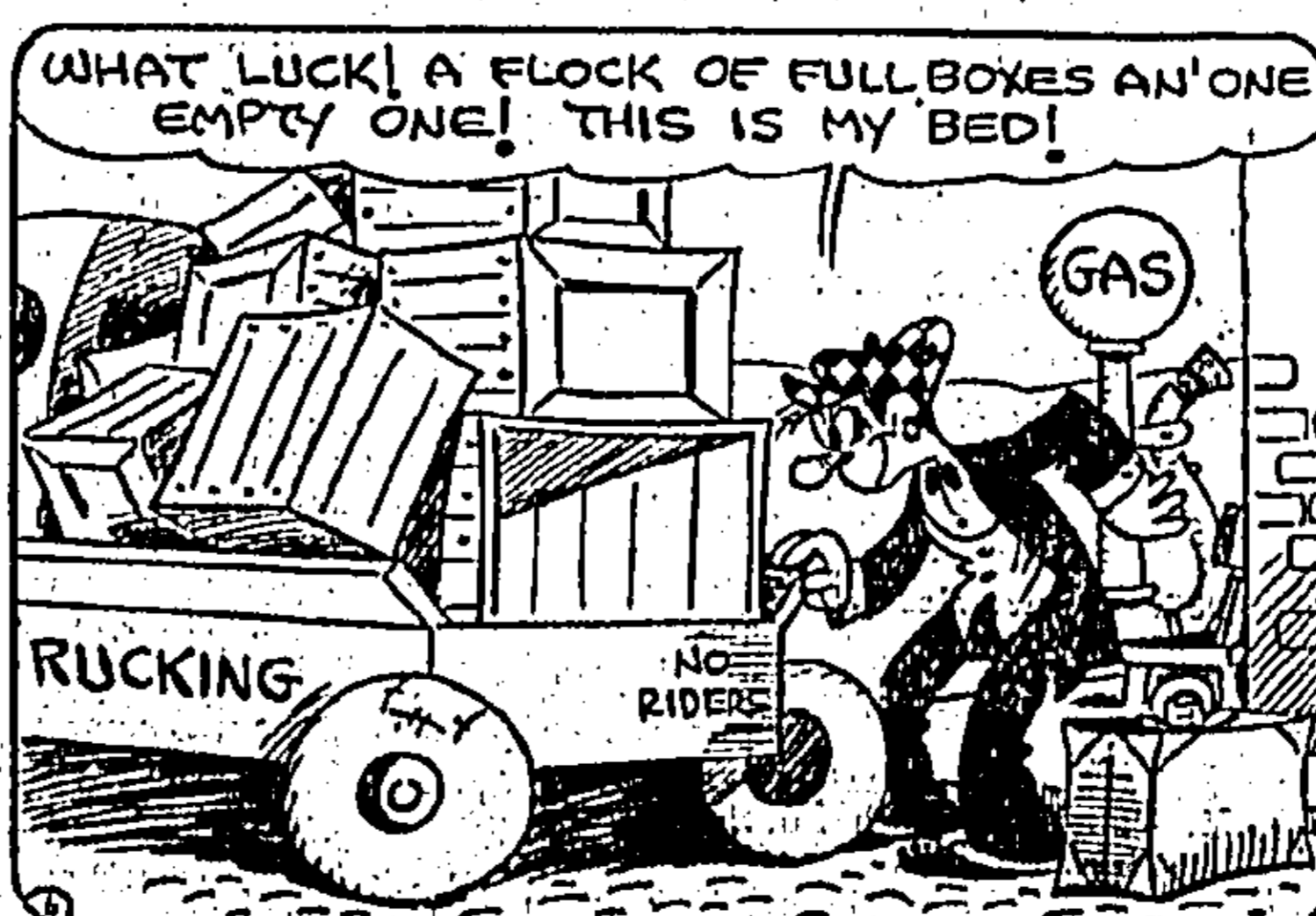


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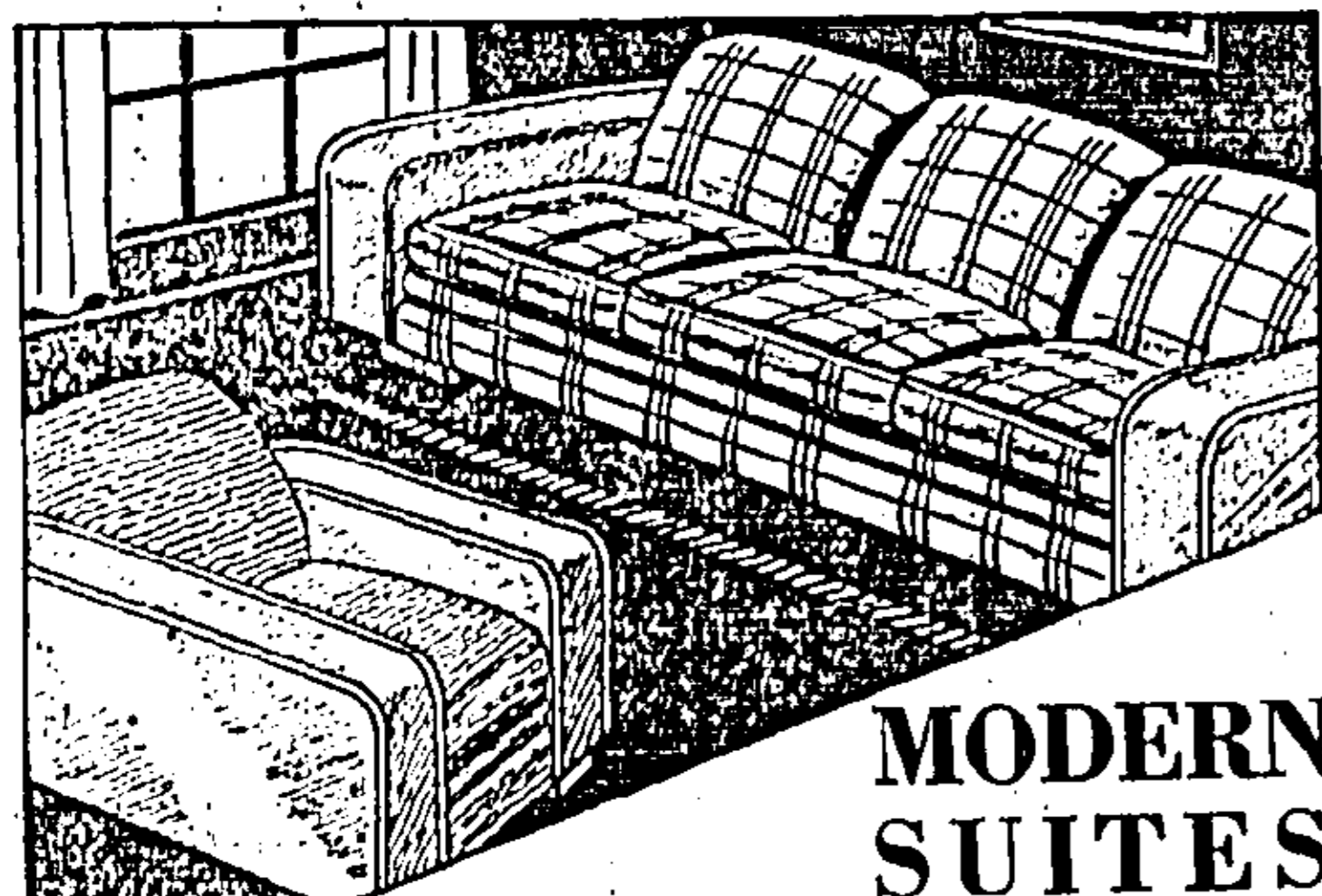
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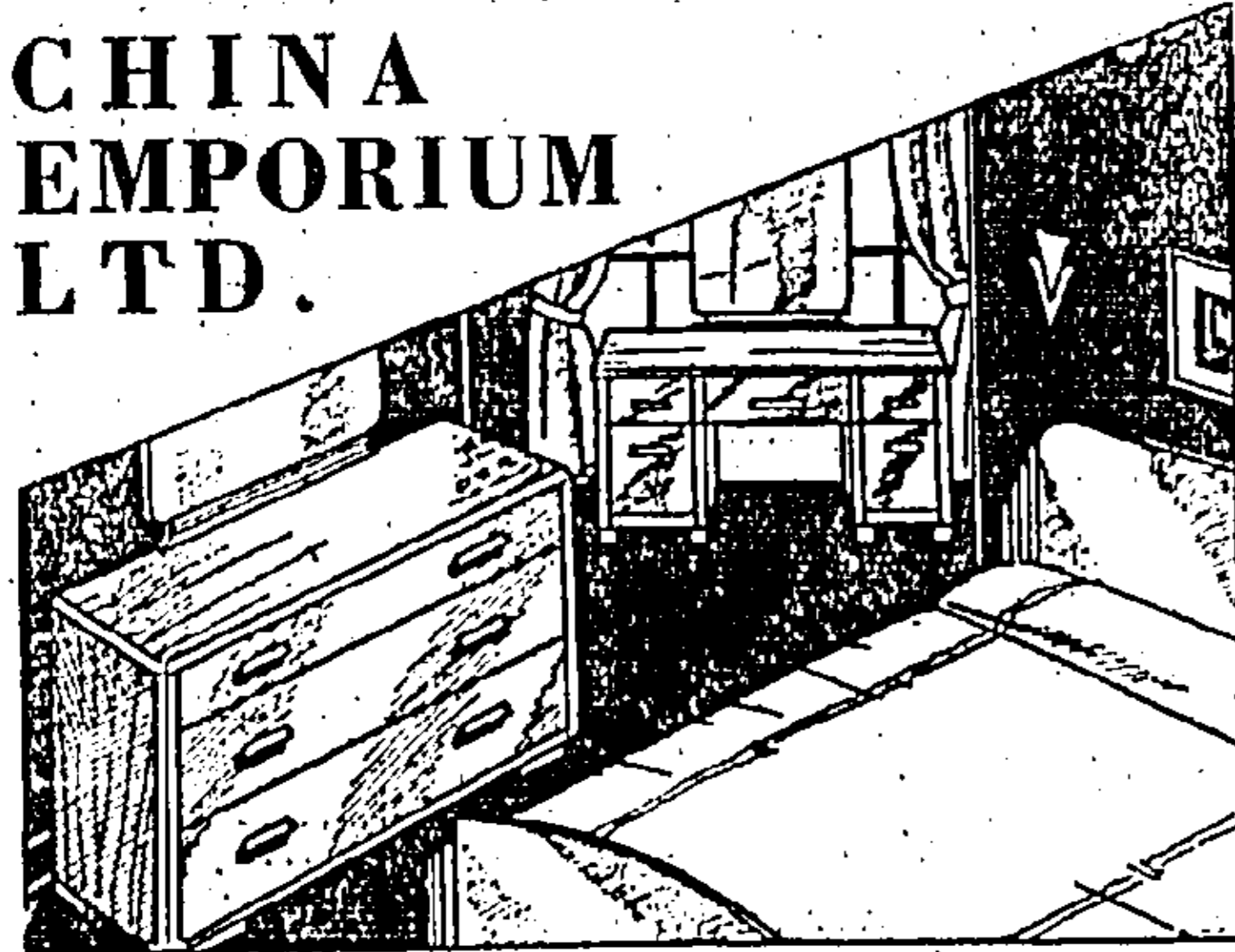
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CRUISER SABOTAGE

Sail Pin Driven Through Electric Cable Of Ship

Chatham, Mar. 10.

A naval court of inquiry was begun in Chatham Dockyard to-day into a case of sabotage discovered a few days ago in the 9,750-ton cruiser Cumberland, which has been refitting here for some months.

Following a brief official statement by the Admiralty early this morning, all dockyard workers and naval ratings have been impressed with the need for continued secrecy on the matter. They have been forbidden to discuss it between themselves or with outsiders.

No official statement about the nature of the damage was made at the dockyard, but it is believed that part of the main electrical circuit of the cruiser had been tampered with.

There are hundreds of miles of electric cables running through a modern warship. Just as in the case of the battleship Royal Oak last December, a sail pin had been hammered through the cable which contains a large number of wires. Had the flaw not been discovered the whole of the electric service of the ship would have been put out of action.

The pin had been driven through the cable in such a way that the hole was almost invisible. Only the astuteness of an overseer detected it.

DISCOVERED AT SEA

In the sabotage on board the submarine Oberon, in which damage was also done to the electric equipment, it was not until the craft was at sea that the defect was discovered. She might have dived on her trials never to come up again.

The damage to the Cumberland was discovered a few days ago. Immediate inquiries were made in the dockyard by the Royal Marine police.

Secret inquiries were made, unknown to the thousands men working on the Cumberland, by officers of M.15, a branch of the Intelligence Service. A number of these men are attending the court of inquiry, which will last some days.

It is thought that the sabotage occurred during the dinner-hour, when all men come ashore and eat their midday meal, either in the canteen or in the dockyard.

A number of electrical workers in the dockyard are being interrogated at the court of inquiry.

Death Of Railway Guard

FAREWELL PRAYER WITH BRIDE-TO-BE

Shortly after he had asked the woman he was to have married to pray with him, Corporal George Francis Palmer, 29, of the 2nd Battalion Grenadier Guards, stationed at Chelsea Barracks, fell on the line at Sloane-square Underground station and was killed.

He was to have sailed for Egypt with his battalion this month. On February 14 he visited Miss Ellen Byrne, a young Irish woman staying in Pimlico whom he hoped to marry.

"On Saturday night," Miss Byrne said, "we were at his home in Canning Town, and he seemed jolly and happy. In readiness for our wedding, which I had hoped would be next week, he became converted to the Roman Catholic faith."

FAREWELL KISS

"On Sunday evening he came to see me. Something seemed to upset him, and he said: 'Kneel down and pray with me, Nellie; you will not see me again.' He knelt down and prayed for many minutes. 'He kissed me good-bye and left the house. I got worried and ran after him but missed him. Later I inquired at the barracks, and heard someone say that he was dead.'"

Mr. Thornton, who lives in the same house as Miss Byrne, said he and Palmer spoke about Egypt.

"I advised him to have the wedding on his return," Mr. Thornton added. "If they married next week Miss Byrne would not be allowed to go with him. We had a cigarette together, and he seemed perfectly normal when he left."

LOST CONTINENT FOUND IN MIDDLE OF PACIFIC OCEAN?

STORY NOT SO FANTASTIC

San Francisco, Mar. 25.

For many decades there have been stories of a great lost continent, drowned under the blue waves of the Pacific.

And now comes science to report that the stories may not be fantastic after all—that the legend of a once broad land stretching from Asia eastward almost to the shores of the American continent, may be true.

Ships that pass over the gloomy depths where the strange land is supposed to lie have taken soundings that dimly record its outline, its higher mountains, its gorges, lakes and rivers. Yet this data in itself is not proof that the land was ever above the surface of the sea. It may have lain submerged from the beginning of time.

Science now turns to one of the least conspicuous and faintest forms of animal life, land shells and land mollusks—what the layman calls "snails"—to forge a link in a chain that yet may prove there really was once a continent in the Pacific, a continent that slowly submerged until only the peaks of its highest mountains remained above the surface of the sea—mountain peaks that are now called "islands," dotting the surface of the Pacific for thousands of square miles.

Land snails can live only on land. Their only means of travel is a slow, crawling motion—the pushing out of a slimy "foot"—and the contracting of it. Yet these creatures, of similar species and genera, live on islands and groups of islands hundreds and even thousands of miles apart.

How did they get there? Scientists who have given their lives to a study of the fruit creatures say the answer is obvious, that they crawled over land when there was land to crawl over. Moving slowly in search of food, they gradually spread over that old lost land of the Pacific.

Travelled By Logs

Theories that the snails may have drifted on logs, been swept hundreds of miles by hurricane, or their eggs carried in earth that clung to the feathers of birds are discounted because of the frailty of the animals. Some of these most widely scattered have shells so frail that scientists have difficulty getting them unbroken into collections.

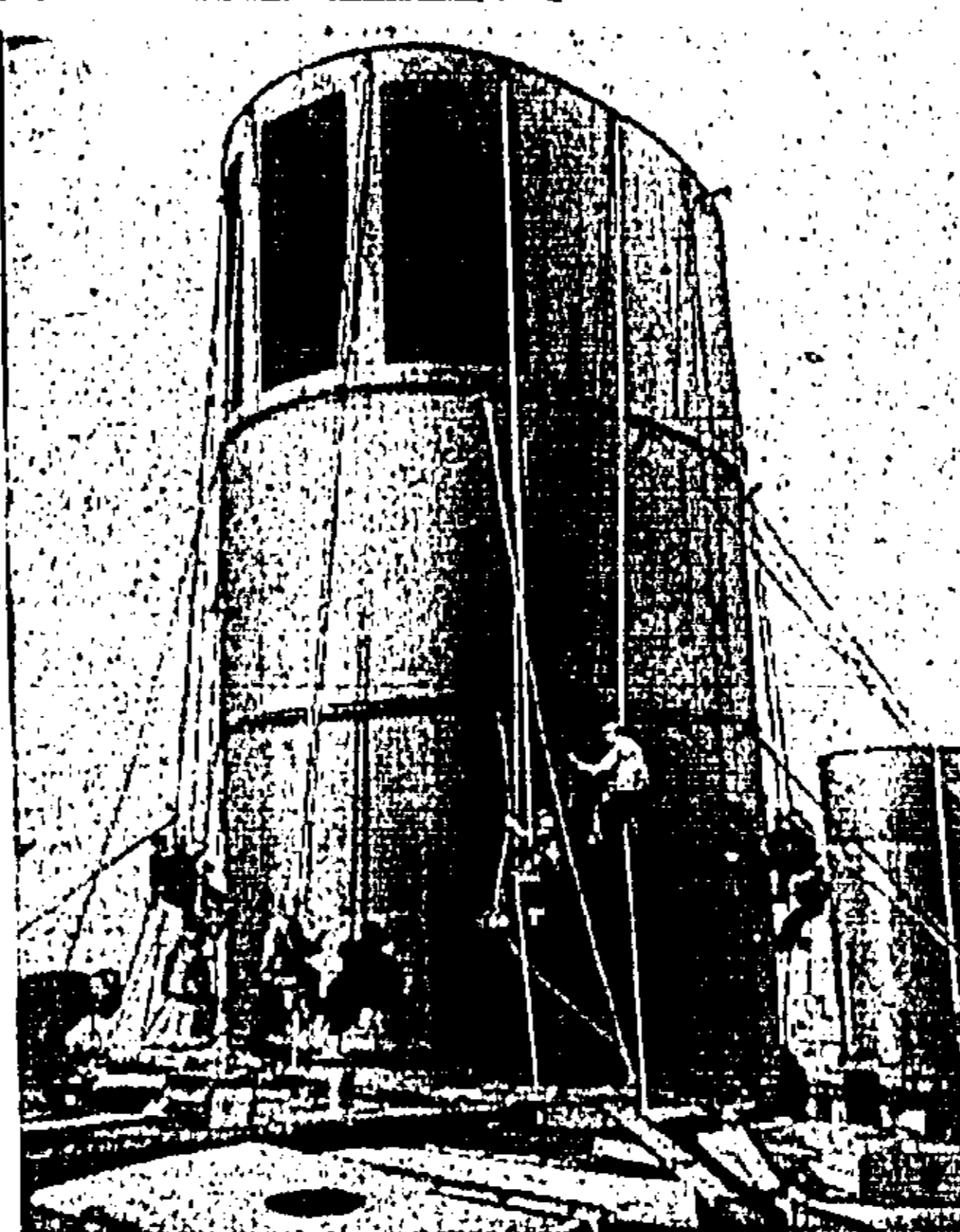
Dr. Henry E. Crampton, professor of zoology at Columbia University, stated his beliefs quite positively when interviewed in San Francisco on his return from a study in Hawaii of shells collected by the Mangrove expedition of the Bishop Museum of Honolulu during a seven months cruise through little known regions of the South Seas.

Land Masses Once

"Not only the distribution of the snails, but also that of animal life in general in the Pacific points to the existence at one time of large land masses in that ocean," he said. "There may not have been land all the way across, but there must have been at least very large patches of it. Our study of animal life indicates that this Pacific land was connected with the continent of Asia rather than with that of America. The forms of life found in the islands, though they have been changed by long residence in their present homes, resemble Asiatic forms."

Dr. Henry Augustus Pilabry (correctly) of the Philadelphia Academy of Natural Sciences, apparently shares Dr. Crampton's belief in the lost continent. "Animal life of the Polynesian groups of

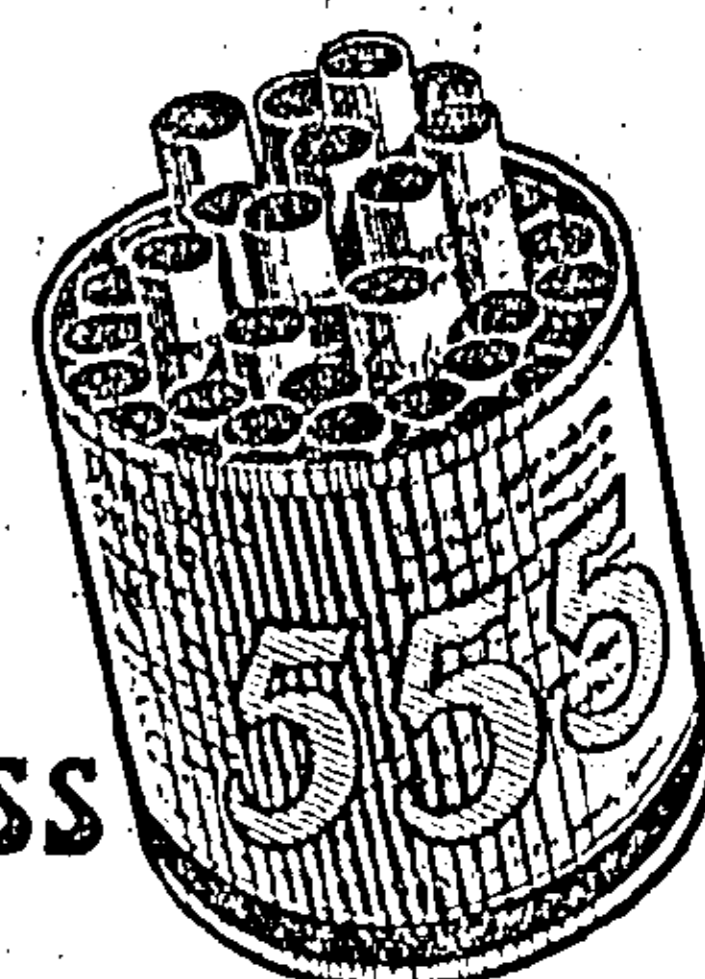
FINISHING TOUCHES TO QUEEN MARY



Hundreds of men were working at full speed right to the last day to get the Queen Mary ready in time for her maiden voyage down the Clyde this week. The picture shows workmen painting on one of her tremendous funnels.



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YESTERDAY

New York, March 27.
Swan, Culbertson & Fritz Dow Jones Summary of yesterday's market. The market to-day was adversely affected by the weakness of the French franc caused by rumours that France might place an embargo on the export of Gold instead of risking a heavy exodus. Bankers here are predicting a further fall in the franc. Issues which recently seasonally gained today lost from two to five points; whilst the remainder of the List drifted lower in a dull session; but there was no particular pressure. Automobile, communication, steel, railroad and utility securities lost moderately. Aviation was mixed, but farm implement and mercantile stocks were firm. The market for bonds was lower. Stocks on the Curb Exchange also declined.

Swan, Culbertson & Fritz Wall Street Journal comment on 20/3 market: "European market operations are at present restricted. The new Federal Reserve Board rules regarding margins are likely to result in the liberalisation of brokers' margin places. Foreign news is still worrying the market, particularly the French moves in the seeking of liquidity. The steel industry hopes for substantial orders as a result of the floods. Brokers are of the opinion that the market is in a healthy condition. The Spanish political troubles are depressing International Telephone & Telegraph shares. Bulls on General Motors believe that it will penetrate \$70. Brokers expect a comparatively firm market with the future trend upward."

S. C. & F. New York office cables: Stocks: The market was quiet and generally easier. The Kennecott Mining Corporation in 1935 earned \$1.22 per share, against 90 cents the previous year. The Continental Oil Company opened its new Oklahoma well with a daily capacity of 25,000 barrels. Bank Clearings are up 7.3 per cent.

Cotton: Out of 11 opinions expressed by brokerage houses, four are bullish, one bearish and six non-committal regarding the future outlook. Forwarding to mills during the past week are estimated at 207,000 bales, against 216,000 bales the previous week.

Wheat: The market was stronger, but indications of drought relief caused some liquidation by tired holders of May wheat.

Rubber: C. I. F. offerings here specify London or Singapore shipment, which is construed as an indication of some question regarding the

U.S. COMMODITY
PRICESLATEST CABLED
QUOTATIONS

The following quotations on the New York commodity exchange are issued by Reuters.

| New York Cotton | | |
|-----------------|-------|----------|
| May | 11.13 | 11.24/25 |
| July | 10.74 | 10.85/88 |
| October | 10.20 | 10.17/17 |
| December | 10.15 | 10.14/14 |
| January | 10.15 | 10.15/16 |
| March (1937) | 10.17 | 10.17/17 |
| Spot | 11.51 | 11.04 |

| New York Rubber | | |
|-----------------|----------|----------|
| March | 15.88 | unquoted |
| May | 15.06 | 15.01/01 |
| July | 15.03 | 15.01/02 |
| September | 15.12 | 15.12/12 |
| December | 10.21 | 10.22 |
| Total sales: | 28 lots. | |

| Chicago Wheat | | |
|-------------------|---------------------|--------|
| May | 90 1/2 | 90 1/2 |
| July | 87 1/2 | 87 1/2 |
| September | 86 | 86 1/2 |
| Thursday's sales: | 15,172,000 bushels. | |

| Chicago Corn | | |
|--------------|--------|--------|
| May | 50 | 50 1/2 |
| July | 50 1/2 | 50 1/2 |

| Winnipeg Wheat | | |
|----------------|--------|--------|
| May | 82 1/2 | 82 1/2 |
| July | 83 1/2 | 83 1/2 |
| October | 83 1/2 | 83 1/2 |

| New York Silk | | |
|---------------|----------|----------|
| March | unquoted | unquoted |
| May | 1.70 | 1.69/70 |
| July | 1.60 | 1.65/65 |

It has been arranged for a group photograph of St. John Ambulance Brigade members to be taken on Sunday morning next, March 29, at 10 a.m. on the enclosed Naval Football Ground. Members will wear uniform, with white Association members are invited to be present.

availability of supplies. The stocks of rubber in England are estimated to show a decline of 1,160 tons. Indications point to a higher market.

REUTER QUOTATIONS

| Dow Jones Averages: | | |
|---------------------|--------|--------|
| March 26, March 27. | | |
| 30 Industrials | 157.73 | 155.52 |
| 20 Rails | 47.85 | 47.17 |
| 20 Utilities | 32.33 | 31.81 |
| 40 Bonds | 102.08 | 101.06 |
| 11 Commodity Index | 56.00 | 57.14 |

VOLUNTEERS AND
BLANKETSCOL. HARRISON REFERS
TO CORRESPONDENCE

The Sergeant's Mess of the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps were hosts at an excellent dinner and smoking concert at Headquarters last night, when members of the regular Garrison, who were guests, and the Volunteers, exchanged compliments and good wishes for future co-operation.

There were upwards of 60 present in the gaily decorated main hall of the Headquarters, and the smart uniforms of the different units, the cheery numbers provided by the artists, and a happy speech by Col. H. C. Harrison, D.S.O., G.S.O., all contributed to the conviviality of the occasion.

R.S.M. T. Parkinson presided and the guests included Col. Harrison, Col. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, O.B.E., Commandant of the Corps; Major E. J. R. Mitchell, O.B.E., Second-in-Command; Capt. R. C. Anderson, M.C., Adjutant; Q.M. Capt. H. Westlake, D.C.M., and R.Q.M.S. Kew. From the regular army there were G.S.M. E. Harrison, M.B.E., R.S.M. Fleming, R.S.M. Henniker, R.S.M. Ridings, and R.S.M. Rendle.

Following dinner the Royal Toast was given and R.S.M. Parkinson who proposed "Our Guests" said they were especially pleased to welcome the G.S.O.I. who was particularly well known and liked for the great interest he had always displayed in the Volunteers. He was a welcome and constant visitor to Headquarters and he hoped that he would find occasion to come more often into the Sergeant's Mess in future. (Applause.)

Except for one unavoidable absence the units of the Garrison were well represented at this function, and he trusted they would see more of them in times to come. They were, of course, delighted to have their Commandant and other officers of the Corps as their guests. (Applause.)

Medal Awards

The speaker said he was glad to take this chance of congratulating the recipients of Long Service and Efficiency Medals at the hands of His Excellency the Governor recently and hoped that more such would fall to men of the Sergeant's Mess. (Applause.)

Col. Harrison, replying for the guests, said he considered himself, rightly or wrongly, a good friend of the Volunteers. (Applause.) He would like to make it clear to them that there existed not only a deep friendship between the Volunteers and the Regular Army, but an intense admiration on the part of the latter. Such occasions as that, when they were enjoying now, enhanced this feeling and it was important, with new Regular units constantly coming out, that they should get together and appreciate each other. He had had considerable knowledge of Volunteers and he admitted that some of the Sergeant's stripes; everybody knew that it meant more work and longer hours for them after a day's labour in the office. He might remind them that the Regular Army were volunteers too—some of them did not know how they got into it, and others how they could get out of it (laughter) but that was another bond between them that was sometimes forgotten. With reference to the recent combined operations he would like to congratulate the members of the Mess on the part they played. There was nothing to complain about, but some of the junior officers were disgruntled because they did not get enough excitement. He would remind them that there were a limited number of ships on the China Station, and when a ship put into an occasional bay without attending to land, they must remember that the officers aboard were probably doing exactly the same sort of thing as the Sergeant's Mess was doing this evening. (Laughter.)

Sergeants and Blankets

Somebody had been writing to the newspapers about not getting any blankets. (Laughter.) He was sure that the letter was not written by a sergeant as he knew very well that a sergeant could get as many blankets he liked. (Laughter.) He had never even heard of a sergeant going hungry, but if a sergeant had written that letter he must have been pulling the legs of all the other sergeants in the Regular and "irregular" army. (Laughter.)

Col. Dowbiggin, in a few words to the company, said he was very grateful to the sergeants for the support they had given him during the two years he had been in command. A sergeant was often more valuable than an officer to the Corps because officers were transferred while the sergeant remained with the Corps and often was its very backbone. (Applause.)

The entertainment was kindly given by Messrs. G. Bonifacio, E. Foster (piano accordion), W. Simpson (humourist), C.S.M. Padgett (songs), C.S.M. Dudley (Monologue), C.Q.M.S. R. Edwards (Xylophone). The committee responsible for the excellent arrangements were thanked by the chairman. They were: C.S.M. Gillard, Sgt. C. Coombe, C.Q.M.S. R. Edwards and Sgt. Owen (decorations).

Armour Car Co.

On Thursday, the Armour Car Company held a dinner when Sgt. J. S. Flegg took the chair and Col. Harrison, Lt.-Col. Dowbiggin, Q.M. Capt. Westlake, Capt. Anderson and R.Q.M.S. Kew were the chief guests. Sgt. Flegg in an address of welcome to the guests, voiced the regret of the Company that the order for two new cars had been cancelled. Col. Harrison, in reply, said that this was unfortunately the case but that he hoped the Company's needs would be met some time in the near future.

THE VOLUNTEERS

CORPS ORDERS FOR THE
COMING WEEK

Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps orders by Lieut.-Colonel H. B. L. Dowbiggin, O.B.E., Commandant, Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps.

1. General

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to approve the following promotion in the Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps with effect from March 18, 1936:

Sergeant Daniel Marshall to the rank of Second Lieutenant.

Colonel H. C. Harrison, D.S.O., G.S.O.I., China command, will talk on the recent Combined Operations at Corps Headquarters on Monday, March 30 at 5.40 p.m.

All ranks who took part in the Operations are invited to attend.

Cars may be parked at the west end of the Parade Ground clear of the road (repeated).

Box Respirators and Steel Helmets—O.C. Units will arrange to return to the Quarter-Master by April 6, 1936 all Box Respirators and Steel Helmets issued for Combined Operations.

2. Parade

i. Corps 1st Battery—"A" Section, Commencing Thursday, April 9 and continuing on alternate Thursdays during April, May and June "A" Section will undergo further training under orders to be issued direct as follows:

B. C. Staff, Capt. T. Addis Martin; No. 1 Gun, Lt. Sgt. Cole; No. 2 Gun, Sgt. Wash.

ii. Section—Parade at Corps Headquarters on Friday, April 8, at 5.30 p.m.

Dress—Overalls, Blue Caps.

iii. Corps Engineers—Monday, March 30, 1936—Lecture on Operations—Monday, April 6, 1936—Gas Mask Drill.

iv. Corps Signals—Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 31, 1936. Switchboard operators under Lt. Cpl. Wadmore will parade as instructed for Anti-Gas Instructions.

v. M. G. Troop—Parade at Corps Headquarters on Tuesday, March 31 at 5.30 p.m. for M. G. Instruction.

All Gas Masks should be returned to Headquarters Store as early as possible.

vi. Armoured Car Section—Section will parade at Corps Headquarters on Tuesday, March 31 at 5.30 p.m. for Vickers Gun Instruction.

vii. Motor Machine Gun Section—All ranks are requested to attend a lecture by Colonel H. C. Harrison, D.S.O., G.S.O.I., on Monday, March 30 at 5.30 p.m.

viii. No. 1 (M.G.) Company—Parade at Corps Headquarters on Friday, April 8 at 5.30 p.m. Musketry instruction at Miniature Range.

Dress—Musketry.

ix. No. 2 (Scottish) Company—The Company will parade at Corps Headquarters on Thursday April 2, 1936 at 5.30 p.m. for Gas Drill. Box Respirators must be carried.

All Kilt Apron recently issued must be returned to the C.Q.M.S. on Thursday, April 2 for necessary alteration to pocket.

x. No. 3 (M.G.) Company—The Company will attend a lecture by Colonel H. C. Harrison, D.S.O., G.S.O.I., on Monday, March 30 at 5.30 p.m.

xi. M.G.Bn. Signal Section—The O.C. Section expresses his appreciation for the full turn-out and excellent work carried out during Combined Operations.

The Section will participate as part of "Static Machine Guns." Entries should be submitted at an early date.

Monday, March 30, 1936.—It is hoped that all ranks will make an effort to attend the talk on Combined Operations by Colonel H. C. Harrison, D.S.O., at 5.40 p.m.

Wednesday, April 1, 1936.—Section will parade in subsections as detailed. Section Dinner.—A meeting will be held after parade to discuss this matter.

xii. Corps Infantry—Parade. The parade for Tuesday, March 31 is transferred to Monday, March 30 for the lecture by Colonel Harrison on the last Combined Operations.

All ranks should make a special effort to attend this parade.

Stonecutters Range—Small Arms Classification—Lewis Gun.

All Lewis Gun Sections of "A" Company and all members of "B" Company except those who have not yet fired Lewis Gun will be for Classification on Sunday, March 29, 1936.

Launch leaves Queen's Pier at 8.15 a.m. and Kowloon at 8.30 a.m.

Range Officer—Lieut. J. H. Lawrence.

3. Transfer

No. 1937, Gunner B. I. Bickford, 1st Battery, is transferred to Unit Reserve, 1st Battery, with effect from March 27, 1936.

No. 1795, A/Cpl. R. A. J. Simpson, No. 1 (M.G.) Company, is transferred to Unit Reserve, No. 1 (M.G.) Company with effect from March 27, 1936.

4. Leave

Major J. C. Macgown, M.B., etc., Medical Section, granted leave as from 8.4.35 to 8.4.37.

No. 2225, Signr. L. Alltore, Corps Signals, granted leave as from 15.3.36 to 15.4.36.

No. 1200, Cpl. C. R. Logan, No. 2 (Scottish) Company, granted leave as from 21.3.36 to 21.10.36.

No. 1665, Sgt. K. C. Hamilton, M. G. Section, granted leave as from 2.3.36 to 2.3.36.

No. 2292, Sgt. R. S. Bevan, R. O. D. Cadet, granted leave as from 4.4.36 to 4.12.36.

5. Struck Off the Strength

Left the Colony.

No. 2087, Gunner T. W. Duffield, 1st Battery, as from 27.3.36. Completed three years service.

SHANGHAI MUDDLE

VOTES MISSED IN
ELECTION COUNT

Three hundred and twenty-three votes, most of them Japanese, which had been omitted from the official count of the election to the Shanghai Municipal Council which was conducted on Tuesday afternoon and were discovered by a Council official when he unlocked the office of the Secretariat on Wednesday morning, invalidated the whole election.

The amended list of the election results showed no change from that published, except in the number of votes cast for the respective candidates.

With the 323 votes included, the amended totals of votes earned by the candidates were as follows:

Brig.-Gen. E. B. Macnaghten 2012

Messrs. W. J. Keswick 1088

G. E. Mitchell 1043

H. J. Forster 1002

A. D. Calhoun 1896

C. S. Franklin 1893

H. E. Arnold 880

T. Go 875

T. Yamamoto 874

T. Urabe 874

The total number of votes 2,790 and there were 19 irregular votes.

Shanghai was electrified when the news of the error was made known in special municipal bulletins issued through the press.

No. 1960, Pte. A. C. Xavier, Corps Infantry, No. 11 Platoon, as from 27.3.36.

G. Strength

B/17 Private V. H. C. Jarrett, Reserve Section "B", 25.3.36.

2568 Gunner G. S. Wilby, Battery "A" Sec., 24.3.36.

2569 Signr. Singh, Randhir, Corps Signals, 24.3.36.

2570 Signr. Singh, Sohan, Corps Signals, 24.3.36.

2571 Tpr. P. F. MacCabe, Troop, 24.3.36.

2572 Tpr. W. E. Grove, Troop, 25.3.36.

2573 Pte. E. A. da Silva, No. 9 Platoon, Corps Infantry, 26.3.36.

2574 Gunner G. Laurel, 1st Battery, "L" Section, 27.3.36.

(ed.) R. C. B. Anderson, Capt. Adjutant, H. K. V. D. Corps.

AFFILIATED UNITS

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D. Corps

Enrolment, 27.3.36.—Mrs. M. Good, Mrs. M. K. Holmes, Miss G. B. Lakeman, Mrs. M. Rees, Mrs. M. Guttinger, Mrs. F. Kay, Miss J. M. Lakeman, Mrs. F. M. Rimmer.

Reignation, 27.3.36.—Mrs. R. Lowe.

(ed.) K. DURNAN, Commandant, Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D.G.

NOTICE

Annual Athletic Meeting

The following preliminary events will be decided at Corps Headquarters as under:

Tug of War, Semi-finals—Tuesday, 7.4.36—5.30 p.m.

High Jump, Finals—Thursday, 8.4.36—5.30 p.m.

Putting the Shot, Finals—Thursday, 9.4.36—5.30 p.m.

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UP TO GERMANY

Without question, Mr. Anthony Eden has still further enhanced his reputation as a statesman by his masterly handling of the delicate issues involved in the European crisis in the House of Commons on Thursday. It has long been clear that British public opinion is by no means unsympathetic towards the German viewpoint, but it is equally true that there has sprung up, within the last week, a feeling of disappointment at the lack of a concrete gesture by Germany to bring about an appeasement of the situation. Whilst it is beyond dispute that Germany cannot be held for ever in subjection, the fact remains that by her military re-occupation of the Rhineland, without warning of any kind, and by her denunciation of the Locarno Pact, without first making use of the machinery for revision of its terms, she has created the situation with which the European Powers are now confronted. It is this circumstance which gives weight to the contention that she should now make some definitely constructive contribution aiming at the creation of an atmosphere in which the foundations of a lasting peace can be laid. So far as Britain is concerned, there could be no better exposition of her attitude than that stated in the three-fold policy laid down by Mr. Eden—(1) To avert the danger of war; (2) to create conditions in which negotiations can take place; and (3) to bring about the success of such negotiations, facilitating the return of Germany to the League and engendering a happier general atmosphere in Europe. It is true, as more than one speaker declared in the House of Commons, that the Rhineland issue is of secondary importance; and British policy is accordingly based on the major consideration of effecting a long-term readjustment of existing conditions, so that lasting peace may be achieved. There is an admitted divergence of viewpoint between Britain and France in the matter of the Locarno Powers' proposals. Britain does not regard them as final, or in the nature of an ultimatum to Germany; France, on the other hand, stands for their total acceptance. There is, however, scope for mediation here, and the British idea is to call upon Germany for alternative proposals, which would be laid in due course before the other Powers concerned. It is clear, however, that unless Germany herself has something tangible to offer, negotiation will be an impossibility. A dispassionate

NO FALTERING NOW

by
A. J. Cumming

NEXT week the Government's constituting the League of Nations may have to take a decision which may vitally affect the course of history.

The question whether an oil embargo is to be imposed upon Italy at the earliest possible moment is the most important issue in the world to-day.

Its importance is less on account of the actual effect upon the conduct of Italy's war against Abyssinia than as an earnest of the good faith of the League States.

The Technical Committee of the League published its report on the oil embargo on the very day that the Foreign Relations Committee of the United States Senate passed a bowdlerised version of the American Neutrality Bill. This coincidence has intensified the oil controversy.

Anti-Sanctionists and anti-Leagueurs, as well as weak-kneed Leagueurs, are doing their best to deepen the depression and to make it appear that the oil embargo is "dead."

I have no doubt that some elements of the British Cabinet would for various reasons welcome the assumption that nothing can now be done about oil. What I cannot quite understand is why those British newspapers which are clamouring for tender treatment for Italy should be so ecstatic whenever they can conjure up some threat which may endanger the official British policy.

NOTES OF THE DAY

SANCTIONS EFFECTS

The highest significance is being attached to figures, published in Washington, which show a remarkable falling off in Italian purchases from the United States of America. The January figures show a decline of no less than 31 per cent. as against those for December. When sanctions were imposed against Italy the Rome Government announced, with the appropriate flourish of trumpets, the imposition of "counter-sanctions" against the countries of the League. That meant that Italy would retaliate against sanctions by curtailing her purchases from League countries. The United States, being outside the League, might have been expected to profit considerably from "counter-sanctions." In fact, as the January trade returns show, her exports to Italy have actually declined. What is the explanation of this? The explanation is that sanctions are having an effect. Their object was to curtail Italy's purchasing power abroad and thereby make it impossible for her to buy the raw materials and other commodities which she needs in order to carry on her war in Ethiopia. The American figures are an indication that sanctions are doing this. A different significance attaches to the figures for Italian imports of oil. They, too, show a very remarkable falling off. This falling-off occurred at a time when Italian oil purchases in general were rising to meet increased demands for the mechanised units in Africa. The fact that purchases from America fell off at such a time indicates that, for some reason which it is, at present, impossible to determine, America has not been anxious to send large quantities of oil to Italy. This may be the result of the Administration's attitude, or it may be due to the voluntary action of American exporters. But whatever be the reason it shows that the danger of America cornering the oil market after the imposition of a League embargo is very much less real than was believed.

review of the position makes it difficult to believe that Germany will remain obdurate. If, as Herr Hitler has again and again declared, Germany wants peace and lasting concord in Europe, she has everything to gain by making some contribution now. Failure to do so would not only mean the sacrifice of British public sympathy, but would completely smash the prospect of negotiations covering the whole European problem.

DOES it ever occur to these spurious patriots that, even on the narrow ground of national prestige and honour, Italy's successful defiance of British diplomacy would be regarded everywhere as the greatest humiliation suffered by this country in recent times?

The effect upon scores of millions of our coloured fellow subjects within the Empire would be the gravest of all.

These jubilant anti-Sanctionists in the Press and behind the Press are feeble thinkers and bad counsellors. They are saying now, as if it were a supreme British triumph, that the League Committee and the United States Senate have together killed the proposed oil embargo.

What are the facts? The League Committee report, in effect, is that an embargo on the supply of oil to Italy would be fully effective only if the United States restricted her supplies to the peace-time level for November last year. The American Senate's bowdlerised Neutrality Bill leaves out the one clause by which Mr. Roosevelt would have had the power to order such a restriction.

For that unfortunate result the British and French Governments, by their prolonged dilly-dallying, must bear the chief responsibility.

I STILL think, in spite of American suspicions and disappointments, that if the League were now to go boldly forward with the oil ban neither the American Government nor the American people would for long endure passively the moral stigma that the oil supplies available to Italy for the continuance of a shameful war were coming almost entirely from the U.S.A.

That is not an Englishman's view only. It is the view of many well-informed representative Americans with whom I have repeatedly discussed the matter.

But whether, in the event, the U.S.A. would limit supplies to a peace-time level or let profiteering take its course, the duty of the League States remains paramount.

The League's Technical Committee has shown clearly that an oil embargo, even without American co-operation, is to be regarded still as an immensely powerful weapon. For instance, to prohibit tankers owned by League nationals from proceeding to Italy and to prohibit the sale of such tankers to States not applying the embargo would greatly disturb Italy's supplies of oil and would certainly make her task of securing them a matter of "greater difficulty and greater expense."

It is a solemn duty of the League to use every means within its power to increase Italy's "difficulty and expense" in carrying on a war in which it has been declared the aggressor. Not one single opportunity, however slight it might appear, should be neglected or forgotten. The cumulative effect, moral as well as practical, of such unceasing relentless, progressive pressure must be beyond calculation.

That is the elementary task of every Member State which has subscribed its name to the enforcement of the whole range of measures decided upon for protecting the victim of aggression and shortening the war. So far as Great Britain is concerned it is surely unthinkable that all the brave words used on behalf of a fully aroused nation by Mr. Eden himself as to establish its authority in the well as by Mr. Baldwin and Sir Samuel Hoare (before they sinned against the light) are now to be dissolved into thin air by a weak nonpossumus.

The British people at all Geneva or the British Governments have made up their minds with unusual and remarkable emphasis about their moral obligations in this conflict. They are not likely to allow a timid Government, which three years ago was born more disastrous to the League,



along apprehensively on the tide of public opinion, to pass the buck to the U.S.A. and so evade its clear obligations. Nor can the British Government be allowed to ride off on the plea that we have gone far enough in practical initiative by sending our Fleet into the Mediterranean and that other Member States must take the lead.

Our prestige and our national honour are deeply engaged in a sense far different from that which the terms usually connote. With or without the support of other nations, it has become imperative for Great Britain to fulfil without flinching, her pledged word.

Whatever other nations may do, an industry which is Government-controlled and partly Government-owned cannot be permitted, without the gravest reproach to ourselves and our Government, to make profits out of selling oil for the purpose of bombing Abyssinian villages.

There is a very real danger lest British politicians, even those who are genuinely anxious to see the League vindicated, should sit back quietly in the comfortable conviction that in any case Italy cannot win because of her growing internal difficulties and the formidable obstacles of climate and terrain in the theatre of war.

"Everything is going well," they are inclined to say; "Italy is beating herself." This, however, is a view fatal to the whole purpose of the collective system. Unless Italy is felled (at least in considerable part) through League pressure, the League's effort will have been in vain. It will have failed by Mr. Eden himself as to establish its authority in the well as by Mr. Baldwin and Sir Samuel Hoare (before they sinned against the light) are now to be dissolved into thin air by a weak nonpossumus. The British people at all Geneva or the British Governments have made up their minds with unusual and remarkable emphasis about their moral obligations in this conflict. They are not likely to allow a timid Government, which three years ago was born more disastrous to the League,

But the effect of that iniquitous event on British authority, on British counsels in European politics, on the standing of the British Government in the eyes of all the coloured races over which it exercises control would be calamitous.

It would be folly not to recognise and face up to the far-reaching consequences of weakness and failure. If we cannot trust the courage and resolution of British statesmanship the common people must give it a new impulse. There must be no faltering now. Having committed ourselves to the greatest enterprise ever attempted in the cause of Peace and Security, we shall turn back at our peril.

BULLS AND INNERS

From the Office Butts

The South African Government is restoring salary cuts. All aboard for Capetown!

A correspondent complains that volunteers were not issued with blankets during the recent manoeuvres. After all, there are lots of wet blankets outside the Corps.

We believe that the "Magic Carpet" film of Hongkong refers to the "landed gentry of the Peak." We wouldn't care to be landed where some of them are!

Fifty bucks reward is offered for the apprehension of a tiger. Looks like buying it by the case.

In winning the Lincolnshire Handicap, "Overcoat" probably finished in pants.

"Golden Miller" is described as a "mud" horse. On a heavy course it should be something to admire!

The importation of haggis into Canada has been prohibited on account of the risk of foot and mouth disease. We've always wondered whether we should kick it or bite it.

Judging from Police Court sentences, we should say there's not much hard labour in connection with counterfeiting.

1936 THE FIRST TWO MONTHS of this year recorded a steady increase in the PAID SALES of "The Hongkong Telegraph." Possessing the largest afternoon sales, this newspaper offers advertisers an effective advertising medium. Joint advertising including the "South China Morning Post" guarantees the two largest daily circulations in the Colony. Revised circulation certificates showing the increased sales will shortly be prepared by Chartered Accountants.

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SATURDAY, MARCH 28, 1936.

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Seen above is the accountant staff of H.M.S. Tamar. Left to right: Front row—S. C. P. O. Collins, Wt. Sp. Offr. Woods, Pay Lt.-Cdr. Fithworth, Pay Cdr. Brightman, Wt. Wtr. Blake, C. P. O. Wtr. Cahill, and C. P. O. Wtr. Stephens. Back row—Sy. P. O. Row, P. O. Wtr. Jordan, Wtr. Byrne, L.S.A. Matthews, Ldg. Wtr. Flister, Ldg. Wtr. Ellis, and L. S. A. Maguire. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



Pictured in the above group are the Chairman and Committee members of the various Football Associations in Hongkong. The Hon. Sir Thomas Southorn is seated in centre. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



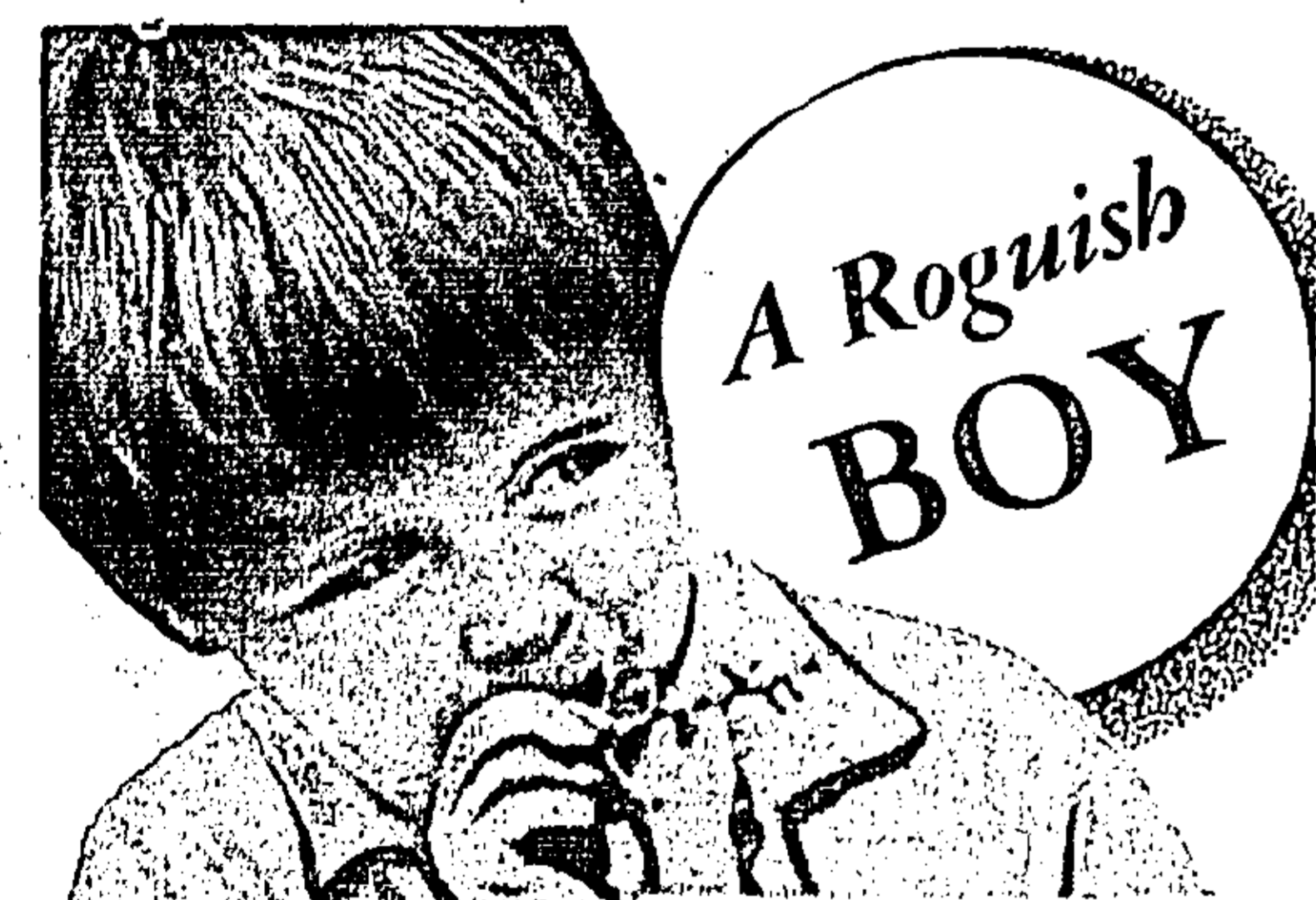
Bridal group taken at the recent wedding of Mr. D. L. Prophet and Miss Helen M. Knill. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



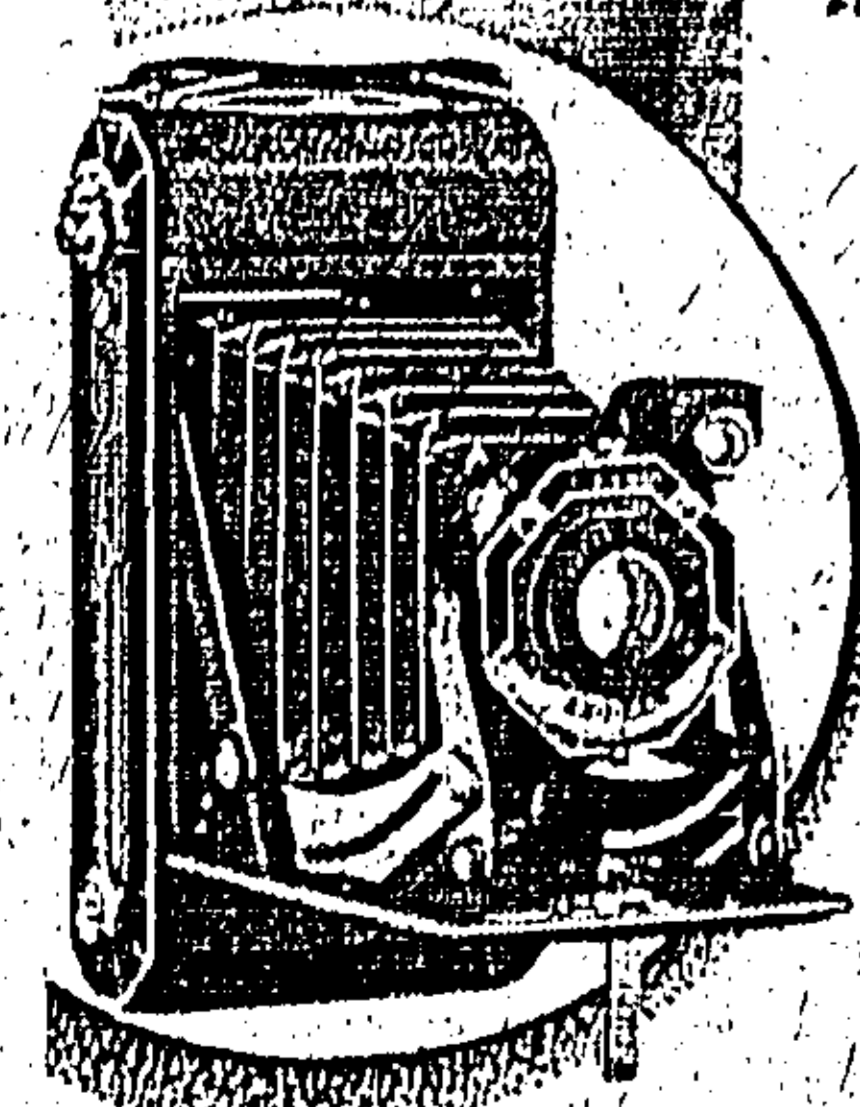
Group taken at Fanling on the occasion of the ladies' golf championship events. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



Bridal party and guests at the recent wedding of Mr. G. G. Clarke and Miss Joyce Naylor. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



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Sir Robert Ho Tung snapped with Mr. Chang Kai-sang, Chinese Minister of Railways, who recently visited Hongkong.



Sirnagat S. Chowdhury, the organiser and senior member of the Sikh Section of the Volunteer Defence Corps. (Photo: Mee Cheung).



A happy group at the Hongkong Hotel during the visit of Warner Oland, noted film star. Left to right—Ben Proulx, Richard Wong, Mrs. Proulx, Wong Ying, Warner Oland, Anna May Wong, and Roy Royston. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

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HERE are some of the new spring hats, liable to come out at the first flash of sun or dry patch in the weather. Two of them, with their gutter brims, are even good for a downpour.

They, newly designed, point to continued shallow heads, slanting brims. To the life everlasting of the beret, though it changes about a bit, from season to season.

Keep them in mind when next you want to cheer up your old clothes or head off with new ones.

1 The new beret. Quite flat as they make them, with about an inch of straight turn down. Hangs on because a petersham joins underneath to grip to head.

2 Hard on the head, becoming, but only to good features. Felt, stiffly shaped: flat in the crown, sloped at brim. To cover the elastic that keeps it on, and to school wisps of hair, it is worn with a resille (little skull cap of chenille) crocheted to fit roundly over the back of the head.

3 The sort of hat that will stand on your head, and not spoil, for months. Have it in black felt (or whatever is your basic wardrobe colour) with a crown band of velvet. The crown, shallow at the back, perks up in front and the brim curves, shovel shape. As good for a rural as townie outfit.

4 Fair-weather hat shaped on those slouch lines that suit sportswomen and boyish faces. In soft fur felt, stone coloured, with wide corded crown band to match the clothes you are wearing. Brim is wide, curved to dip over one eye. Crown caught up in slight ruchings.

5 Another shape that is kind to tired faces, always becoming. Top of crown is square shaped, then rounds out. Brim slight at the back with a good full forward sweep. Contrasting crown band.

"Square" Meals Of Cheese

PEOPLE fear cooked cheese as indigestible. It is seldom so in itself, but if eaten at night after a heavy meal it may not suit everybody.

But it has such excellent food value of its own that it can make dishes which form a meal in themselves.

COLD CHINESE CRAB.

Toast a very thin piece of bread two inches square. Mix 1/2 oz. of butter, 1 oz. grated cheese, a little vinegar and anchovy sauce to a soft paste, and serve on toast. Decorate with egg and watercress.

BROWNED BANANA.

Melt some butter in a fireproof dish, add salt and a little paprika. Cook for a few minutes, stirring well. Then put some split bananas in a dish and turn them over.

Sprinkle with breadcrumbs and grated cheese. Add a few small pieces of butter, and then cook in the oven till slightly brown.

Kitchen First Aids for 'Flu

IS your kitchen well equipped to deal with influenza? And what is more important, are you?

This is the time of year when this disease is rife, and you should take stock of your talents. Lemons, eggs, cinnamon—these, with others, shall form the spear-head of your attack.

Cinnamon is particularly important. This spice possesses considerable antiseptic properties, which can be put to profitable use against the 'flu germ. You must purchase the best cinnamon bark or stick cinnamon for the preparation of your brews, unless, of course, you would prefer to buy it already prepared as a tincture or an essence.

For children, cinnamon water is capital, and is quite easily made. To a quart of boiling water add a quarter of an ounce of cinnamon, broken up, and a quarter of pound of sugar. Allow to stand till cool; then strain. Drink freely.

Tincture of cinnamon is for the adult—because it contains alcohol. It is quite simple to prepare: Put three ounces of bruised true cinnamon bark into a bottle of the best French brandy. Leave for a week. The dose is one or two teaspoonfuls with one or two tablespoonfuls of hot water.

Should your child turn up his nose at cinnamon water, you may be able to tempt him with cinnamon drops.

Mix half an ounce of the best powdered cinnamon bark with a pound of powdered white sugar and half a pint of water, and boil to a syrup of candy-like consistency, or until it snaps when dropped into cold water; then spread out the thick syrup upon a well-oiled flat dish and score it into appropriate sections before it hardens.

For influenza, it is essential that any cinnamon treatment should begin in the early stages, preferably within twenty-four hours of the onset.

The cinnamon should be taken in fairly large doses at frequent intervals; for instance, half an ounce of the tincture in a little water every half-hour for the first two hours, then the same dose hourly until the temperature is normal.

A welcome medicinal throat-quercher for the initial feverish stage is a mixture of potash lemonade.

Dissolve one or two small teaspoonfuls of powdered nitre in one and a half pints of cold water (which has first been boiled and filtered), then add a slice or two of fresh lemon and sweeten with a little glucose. (It is not desirable to remove all the acidity). This quantity can be taken during the twenty-four hours.

Egg water, egg-flips, egg cordials, and egg-nogs may be used as occasion arises. Alcohol is added to an egg preparation when debility is a conspicuous feature.

Do you know how to make egg-nog? If not—could some new milk (contained in a jug) in a saucepan of boiling water. Don't allow to boil. When cold, beat up a fresh egg with a fork in a tumbler with some glucose, into a complete froth; add a dessertspoonful of brandy and fill up the tumbler with cold milk which has previously been scalded.

TWO SIMPLE LUNCHEON MENUS

1 Sauté Kidneys on Toast.

Cream Cheese and Pineapple Salad. Allow 2 sheep's kidneys and a rasher of bacon per person. Fry these for a few minutes, then drain and cut into dice. Make some thick gravy, season with salt, pepper, and a little mustard, add the kidney and bacon, and thoroughly heat. Pile on squares of toast and garnish with parsley.

For the salad, line individual plates with lettuce, place on each a round of tinned pineapple, and on top arrange cream cheese-balls and halved shelled walnuts. Pour over a little French dressing if liked.

2 Scallops au Gratin.

Apple Amber. Cook the well-washed scallops with a small lump of butter, enough milk to cover, and some pepper, and when plump put in individual fireproof dishes; make a white sauce with the liquor, pour over the scallops, and cover the top thickly with grated cheese. Brown in the oven.

For Apple Amber, line the sides of a fireproof dish with pastry, cook a pound of peeled and sliced apples with 2 oz. each butter and sugar and the grated rind of a lemon, when soft, beat in the yolks of 2 eggs. Bake for 30 minutes, cover with a meringue made of the egg whites, and return to the oven to set.

ANNE SELBY

Name Chart Elsie

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The best day of the week for you if your name is Elsie is Thursday, and the third hour after sunrise and the last hour before sunset are the luckiest, and the fourth day of the month will bring you good fortune.

For your gems you should choose sapphires. These are your lucky stones.

Your lucky number is 8, or multiples of that number, and the flower that is in harmony with your name is the gilliflower.

Girls' and Boys' Corner

Another Two Prizes For Kiddies In This Week's Competition

Dear Kiddies, "Uncle Eddie" wants to say how delighted he was with the entries for last week's Competition. It was not an easy task to fill in the picture of Salesman Sam, but there were some really excellent drawings sent in.

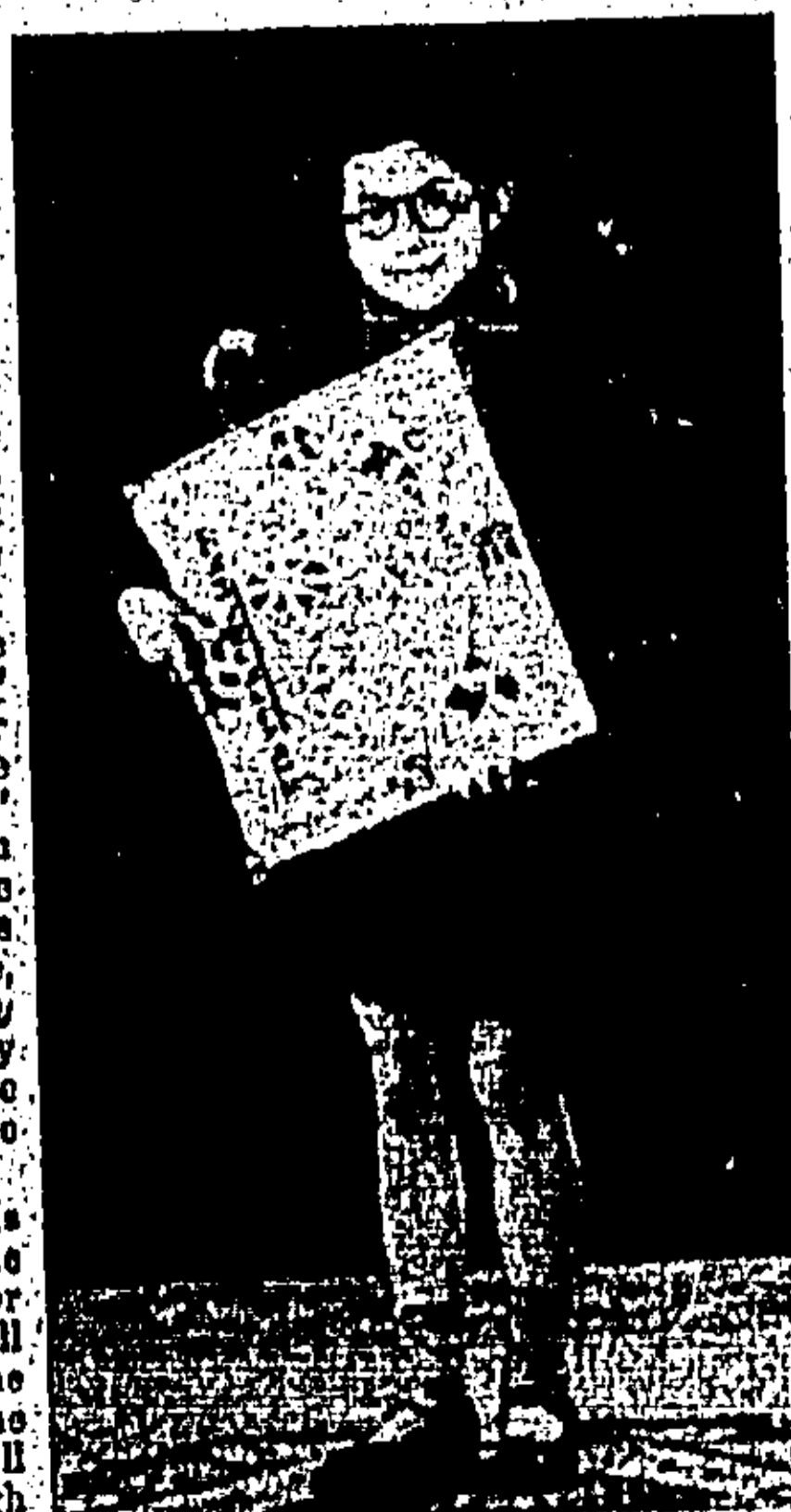
In the Senior Section (10 years to 14 years), little Miss B. K. Hill, 8A Block, Kennedy Road, aged 11 years, wins the prize of a table croquet set.

The prize in the Junior Section (under 10 years) goes to Harold Lapsley, 8 Highburgh Terrace, Kowloon Docks. Harold is only seven years of age, and he wins a magnetic fish pond.

The winners are asked to call for their prizes. Now, children, for this week's Competition I'm going to ask you to try to make as many words as possible from the letters: "UNCLE EDDIE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH." You must not use any one of the letters more than once.

For example, you can make the word "Lip" by using the letter "L" from the word "Telegraph," the letter "P" from the word "Eddie," and the letter "P" from the word "Telegraph." But in making any other words, you would not be able to use the "L," the "P" or the "P" again. Of course, as there are five letters "E" in the puzzle, you could use all of them, but only once each. The same applies to any other letters of which there are more than one of the same kind in the puzzle.

There will again be two prizes this week—one for children between the ages of 10 and 14, and the other for those under 10 years. The prizes will be awarded to those sending in the highest number of words, but in the event of a tie, age and neatness will be taken into account. Look through the advertisements in to-day's Telegraph and you will see what the prizes are. Send in your entries, addressed to "Uncle Eddie, c/o 'Hongkong Telegraph', not later than 4 p.m. on Wednesday next.



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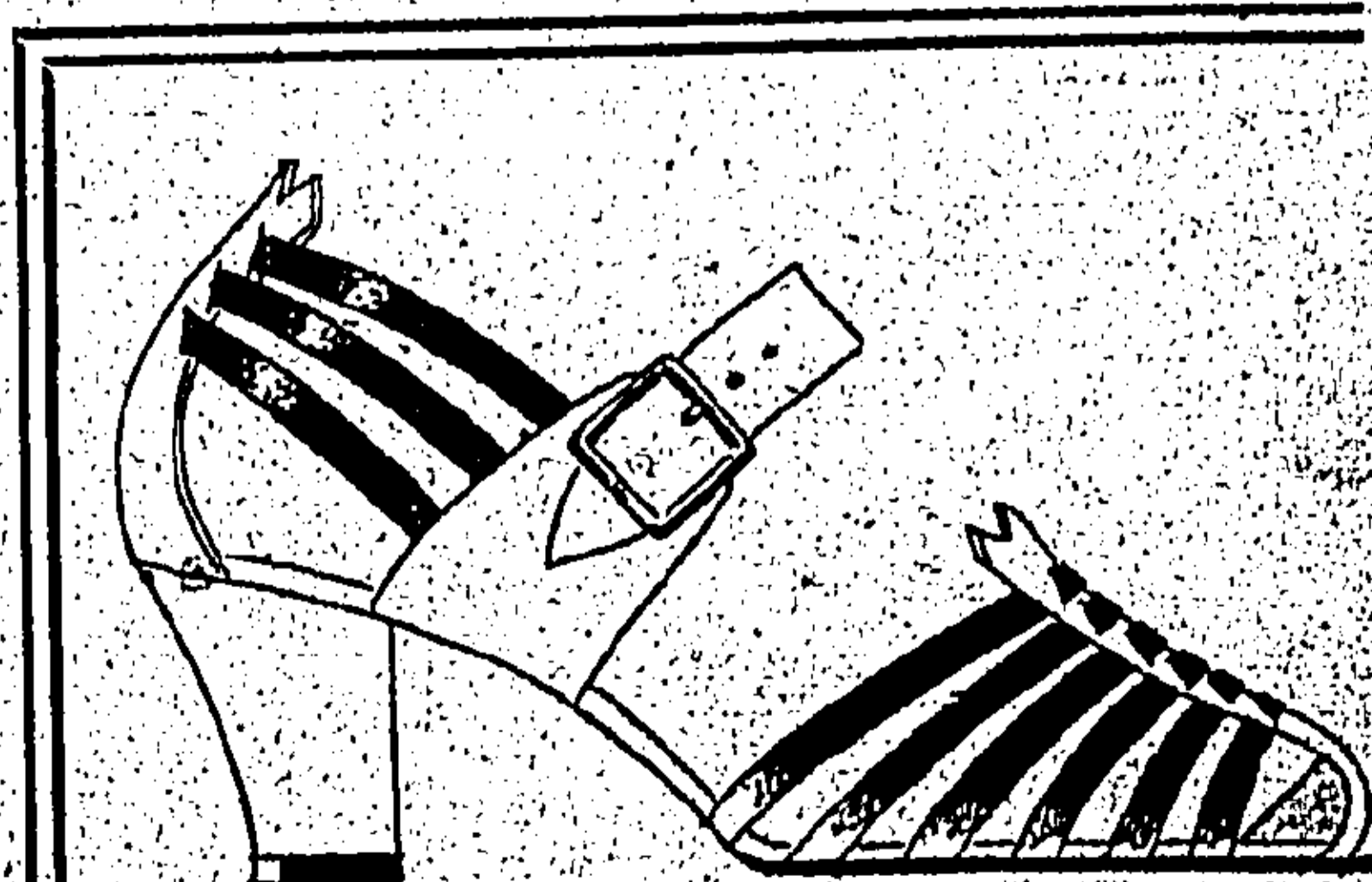
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Bridal group taken at the recent wedding of Mr. Chan Fook-man and Miss Hui Tuen yung. (Photo: Yim Fong Studio).



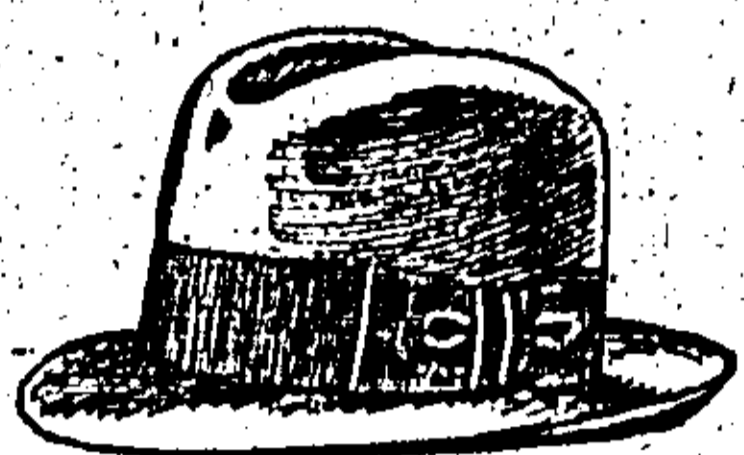
His Excellency the Governor snapped with Mr. A. Morris, Director of Ambulance, and Dr. D. J. Valentia, Corps Surgeon, at the annual inspection of the St. John Ambulance Brigade. (Photo: Ming Yuen).



The Queen's College inter class volleyball final in progress. Class 2C beat Class 1A by three to one.

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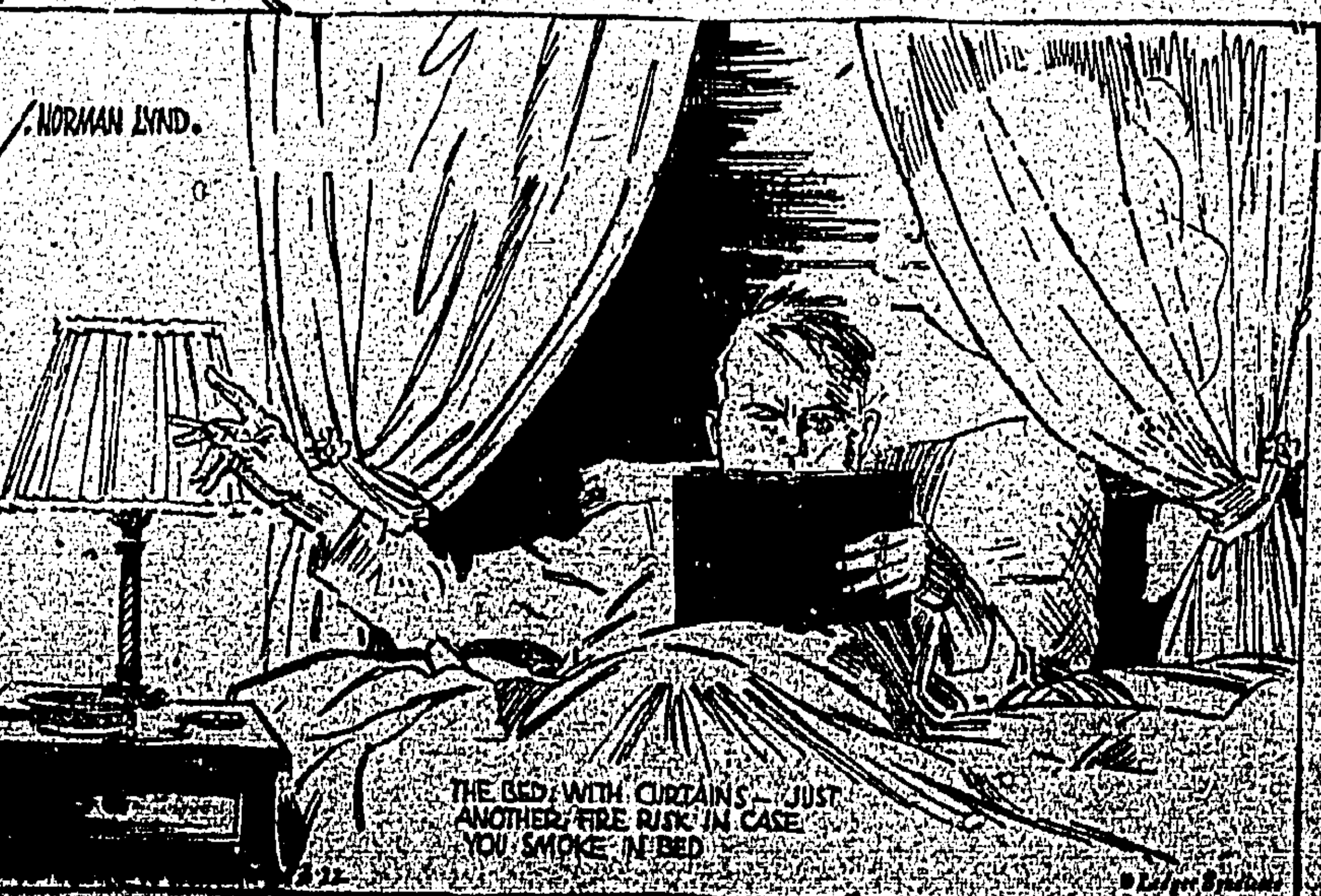
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THRILLING GRAND NATIONAL

BRILLIANT RIDE
BY WALWYN

DAVEY JONES' BAD LUCK

(Special to "Telegraph")

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London, Mar. 27. A quarter of a million persons today, in bright sunshine, saw one of the most thrilling Grand Nationals ever run at Aintree, where Reynolds-town, quoted at 10 to 1, repeated his 1935 success and became the first horse since The Colonel in 1869-70 to win in successive years this famous event. He ran a gallant race.

The first sensation, which brought the enormous crowd gasping to its feet, was when Golden Miller, one-time hot favourite and a former winner of the Grand National, repeated his last year's debacle and fell at the first fence. His jockey pluckily remounted and rode furiously, but Golden Miller refused a couple of fences later.

Then Avenger, who was installed the favourite by astonishing last-minute backing, starting at 100 to 3, fell soon after Golden Miller in the first round, when lying third, and broke his neck. He had to be destroyed.

The final disaster came to the young former Cambridge undergraduate, Hon. A. Mildmay, who had the tragic luck to break his reins at the last fence when the 100 to 1 outsider, Davey Jones, appeared to be winning a great struggle. Davey Jones swerved out from the fence, out of control, and Reynolds-town took the jump and romped away.

BRILLIANT RIDER

Reynolds-town had been challenging for some time, however. He was brilliantly ridden by England's leading amateur, Mr. Walwyn, and received a tremendous ovation at the finish.

Golden Miller showed he was definitely upset by his last Aintree experience.

Many of the smaller book-makers are expected to have difficulty in meeting their liabilities as Reynolds-town was heavily backed singly and coupled with the Lincolnshire winner in many big doubles, one of which was for £10,000.

WINNERS AND ODDS

1. Major Furlong Reynolds-town, 10-1;
2. Sir David Llewellyn's Ego, 60-1;
3. Mr. James Rank's Bachelor Prince, 60-1.

It is a notable fact that not a single horse fell at the dreaded Becher's Brook.—*Reuter Special.*

MACAO NOTES

SOME INTERESTING ITEMS

Macao, Mar. 27. On the occasion of their 15th wedding anniversary on the 19th, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Brown were at home in their residence at 30 Avenida da Costa to their many friends. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Coates, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Service, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Braga, Mr. and Mrs. H. Harrendorf, Mr. and Mrs. C. Barnes, Messrs. J. M. Hood, A. J. Taylor, G. R. Johns, G. P. Lammert, F. Ruminzoff, C. A. Braga and Capt. A. Lake.

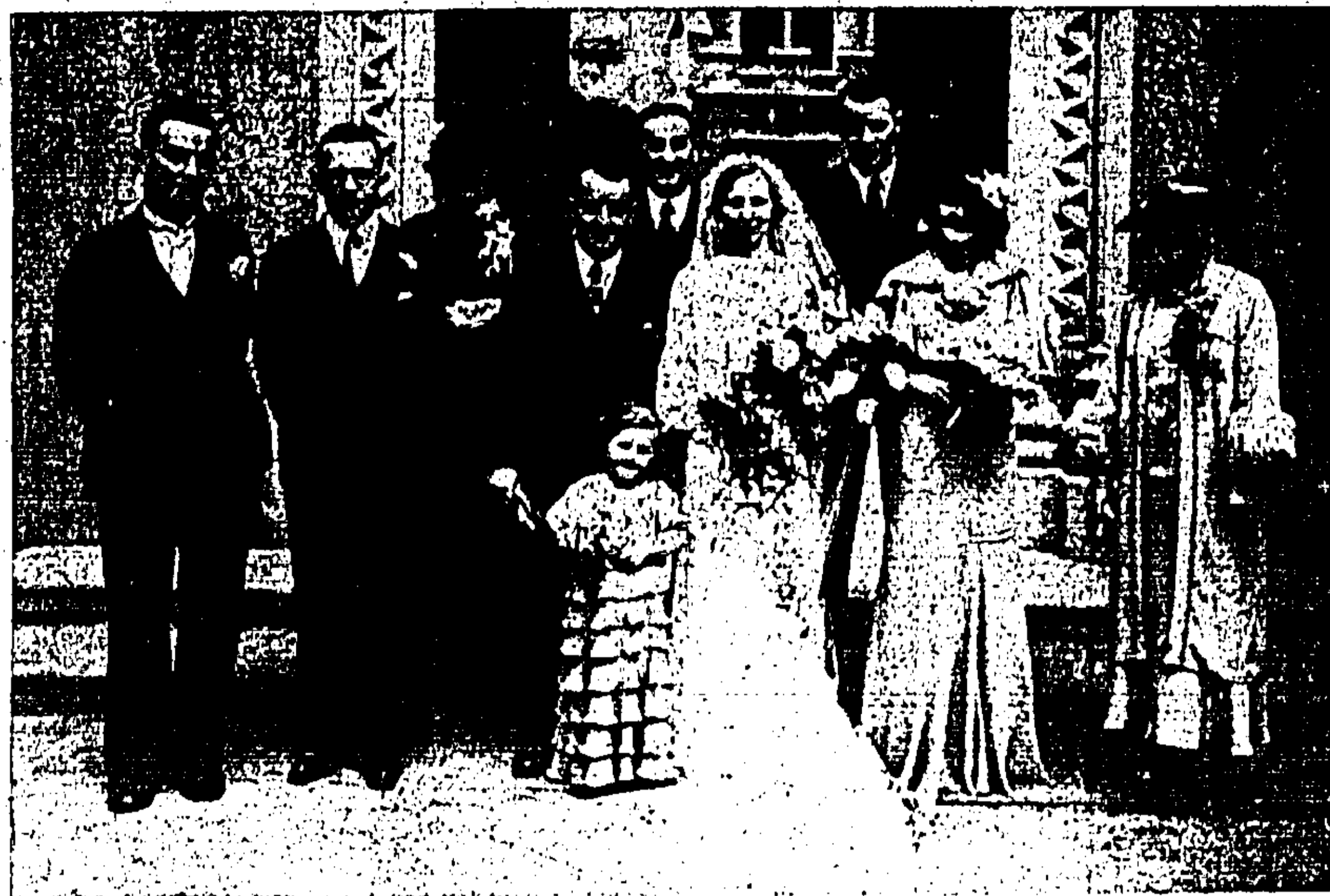
The death occurred here on March 23 of Mr. Julio Alberto Basto, an esteemed Macao resident after a long illness. The late Mr. Basto is survived by his mother, brothers and sisters who reside in Hongkong, the family being one of the most respected of the Portuguese community in Hongkong, and much sympathy is felt for them in their bereavement. The late Mr. Basto left a considerable fortune, a large portion of which he bequeathed to local charities.

Mr. Frederick Johnson Gellion has been appointed to the post of Vice British Consul in Macao. Mr. Gellion, who recently returned to Macao from home leave, is the Manager of the Macao Electric Light Co. He is a very popular figure in social circles in the Colony.

The French gunboat Argus, Captain R. de Badens, paid a short visit to Macao this week. She arrived on the 23rd and sailed on the 26th. A cocktail party took place on board on the 24th and the official luncheon on the 25th was attended by H.E. the Governor, Dr. J. Pereira Barbosa, and his staff. Mr. J. Louquim, Consul General for France in Hongkong, made an official call at Government House during the visit of the Argus. Mr. Louquim and Capt. R. de Badens were the guests of the Governor, Dr. Pereira Barbosa, and Madame Barbosa for dinner.—*Our Own Correspondent.*

TERM EXTENDED

London, Mar. 27. H.M. the King has approved the extension of the appointment of Lieutenant Colonel Sir Bernard Reilly as Resident Commissioner and Commander-in-Chief, at Aden, from April 18 next to March 31, 1937.—*British Wireless.*



Bridal group taken at the wedding, at St. John's Cathedral on Thursday, of Mr. George Dunne and Miss Bernice Gill. (Photo: Ming Yuen).

CINEMA DIARY

"The Informer."—Best picture, according to Institute of Motion Picture Arts, produced in 1935. Tale of Irish civil War, produced on gigantic canvas, and certainly best thing Victor McLaglen has made. Ends Star Theatre run to-day.

"Tale of Two Cities."—Reviewed elsewhere on this page. Commences at Alhambra, King's to-day.

"Stars Over Broadway."—Satisfactory romantic musical with James Melton, Jane Froyman, names which mean more to American radio audiences than to Hongkong cinema-goers, making film debut that are satisfactory but hardly sensational. It all shapes very nicely, with singing from those who have voices and acting from those who know how. Queen's to-day, to-morrow, Monday.

TO-MORROW

"Les Miserables."—Vic Hurn at the Oriental is giving Vic Hugo, late of Paris, a go on his screen with, as you'll well know, satisfactory results to the purse of the local Vic. This masterpiece, off reviewed and recommended by this page, is counted among the leading entertainment for the week-end.

"Gay Deception."—More popular entertainment, scheduled for Monday to-morrow.

"Pige Miss Glory."—Marion Davies, who did much better in silent and in the modern days, attempts a come-back. Much higher standard than efforts she made in same line two years ago. Entertainment value is good.

AMAZING HANDS AT WHIST

London, Mar. 26.

Four players sat round a table at a whist drive at Lydney, Glos.

They picked up their hands, and looks of astonishment appeared on all four faces simultaneously.

Each held thirteen cards of one suit.

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

"NO GOVERNMENT CAN PROVIDE NATIONAL JOYRIDE TO SUCCESS. POWER IS EXERCISED BY FACTORY—THE PRISON OF HARD HEADS AGAINST ROUGH PROBLEMS."—*Herbert Kaufman.*

By an order made under the Wild Birds Ordinance, no bird of any description other than magpies, kites and hawks may hereafter be killed, wounded or taken on the island of Hongkong.

His Excellency the Governor has appointed Mr. J. B. Prentis to act as Official Receiver and Registrar of Trade Marks and Patents as from March 23, in addition to his other duties.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Douglas Lorne Campbell, Customs officer, Chinese Maritime Customs, Marina House, Hongkong, and Miss Irene Rosa Cameron, of 1 King's Park Mansions, Kowloon.

Local estate valued at \$51,800 was left by Mr. John Cookman Roberts, late of Southbrook Bishops, Waltham, County of Hants, and of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, London. Mr. Roberts died at Kulangwa, Amoy, on July 27, 1935. An application by Mr. M. M. Watson, solicitor, the lawful attorney, for sealing certified copy of grant of probate of the will was allowed.

Sanctions Hit Women's Fashions

SANCTIONS AGAINST ITALY THREATEN TO AFFECT THE HAIR FASHIONS OF BRITISH WOMEN.

The finest human hair used in the preparation of transformation toupees, side curls, and switches is sold by Italian peasant women to dealers.

"Supplies of Italian hair used to provide 75 per cent. of the requirements of the London market," a fashion expert said. "Now supplies are short because of sanctions; and prices have risen by 50 and 60 per cent."

"Most of the hair now offered is that of peasant women of the Balkans."

HUMAN HAIR ESSENTIAL
"Italian womenfolk let their hair grow for a year or more, the rate of growth being about an inch a month."

"Then they shear their locks and sell them at so much an ounce."

Makers of hairdressers' models are also affected by the hair shortage.

A modeller said that it is essential to use human hair for these models, as artificial hair cannot be waved or curled properly.

REAL STORY OF THE KILLING OF 'KILLER' DILLINGER

—Told for First Time

Chicago, Mar. 15.

For the first time from the lips of the man who apparently fired the shot that killed John Dillinger, original Public Enemy No. 1, the United States has learned his version of the shooting fiasco that hot July night in 1934.

Sitting in a large rather barren office at the East Chicago, Ind., police station, Capt. Timothy O'Neill told the hitherto unpublished story of how he and East Chicago police officers under him contacted Ann Sage, later termed the "Woman in red," how they learned from her Dillinger's whereabouts and how the trap was sprung outside the Biograph Theatre.

"I was just about one pace behind Dillinger," said O'Neill. "I had intended to slip up behind him and knock him down before he could reach for his gun. We hoped to capture Dillinger alive and, if possible, bring him back to stand trial for killing one of our companion officers, Pat O'Malley, who was shot down about six months previously in a shooting scrape with Dillinger and others in front of the First National Bank."

"But when I got that close to Dillinger that night in front of the Biograph, he seemed to sense something had gone wrong and glanced to the right back over his shoulder. Then, swinging his head the other way, he saw the alley entrance to his left. Simultaneously, his right hand darted to his trousers pocket for his gun as he made a spring for the alley."

"I saw that hand dart for his pocket, and it meant just one thing to me. As his hand came from the pocket with his gun, I fired."

O'Neill said the reports of four or five more shots rang out immediately after his. These, he said, were fired by Federal agents, and believes all but one hit the Indiana hoodlum.

"Dillinger," he said, "twirled about there at the alley and slumped to the ground. He was dead."

"Then," O'Neill was asked, "you fired but the one shot?"

"That was all I thought necessary," he replied. "It wasn't a boast, merely a matter-of-fact statement from a man who knew whereof he spoke. He didn't add that his shot, the first, was the one that killed John Dillinger, but the fact that O'Neill is a crack shot that he was but a step behind the Indiana bandit, and that one of the bullets in Dillinger's body—the one which hit him behind the left ear—was the one quite likely fired by O'Neill indicate that the East Chicago police officer fired the fatal shot."

O'Neill's story, breaking his silence since the shooting, was occasioned by statements attributed to J. Edgar Hoover, to the effect that Federal agents killed John Dillinger.—*United Press.*

HEN BURIED FOR SIX MONTHS

London, Mar. 29.

Workmen thrashing a stack of oats were amazed to see a hen suddenly emerge.

The stack had been built six months ago and the bird must have been "buried" in the process.

She seemed little the worse for her experience, having lived on oats and her own eggs during her "imprisonment."

RADIO BROADCAST

Relay of Hongkong Hotel Dance Orchestra

DAVENTRY BULLETIN

From Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres (845 kilocycles):
4-7 p.m. Chinese Programme.
6-6.30 p.m. Chinese Dance Music.
7 p.m.-12 midnight... European Programme.

7-7.30 p.m. Concert Waltzes.
Rosenkavalier Waltzes (J. Strauss); Talsa from the Vienna Woods (J. Strauss); Danube Waves Waltz (Ivanovic); Over the Waves Waltz (Rosas); The Merry Widow (Liszt).

7.30-7.45 p.m. A Recital by Derek Oldham (Tenor).
1. Still as the Night (Bohm); 2. Homing (Del Riego); 3. Derek Oldham Medley.

7.45-8 p.m. A Jazz Piano Recital by Vivian Ellis.
1. Streamline—The First Waltz; 2. Streamline—Piano Selection; 3. Medley.
8 p.m. Time and Weather Report.
8.03-9 p.m. A Variety Programme.

Humorous—S-m-y-t-h-a. Come and Join the No-Shirt Party... Normie Long; Vocal—Accent on Youth. By the Young Wolf. Gulls and Amies; Instrumental—The Shiek of Araby, Capri Caprice... Nat Gonella and his Georgians; Songs—Rags. Don't you ever fall in love... Alleen Stanley; Organ Solos—Peramora, Sylvia; Ballet—Fantasy... Marcel Palotitz; Vocal—Ole Palitful. Take me boys of when ah dies... The Hill Billies; Instrumental—Fox Trot Medley... Harry Roy's Tiger Ragamuffins; Songs—In a little Gypsy Tea Room. Louisiana Fairy Tale... Val Rosing; Orchestra—Robert's Selection.

9-9.15 p.m. Four Songs by Peter Dawson (Hass-Baritone).
1. Glory of the Sea (Sanderson); 2. The Border Ballad (Cowen); 3. A Jovial Womam I (Andran); 4. The Admiral's Broom (Beyan).
9.15-9.30 p.m. "Tidworth Tattoo," 1935.

9.30-9.45 p.m. A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter).

9.45 p.m.-12 midnight. A Relay of the Hongkong Hotel Dance Orchestra.

10 p.m. Big Ben.
12 midnight. Close Down.
Note:—There will be a Chinese recorded programme from Z.B.K. on a frequency of 640 kilocycles from 8-10.30 p.m.

TO-MORROW'S PROGRAMME

Violin and Pianoforte Recital From the Studio

10-11 a.m. A Relay of the Morning Service from St. Joseph's Church.
11 a.m.-12.15 p.m. A Relay from St. Paul's Church (Chinese).
12.15-2.30 p.m. European Recorded Programme.

1 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

1.30 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletins.
A Recital by Mavis Bennett (Soprano), Pablo Casals (Cello).
Songs—Solveig's Song ("Peer Gynt") (Grieg); Lo, Here the Gentle Lark (Bishop); Cello Solos—Musette (Bach); Mazurka, Op. 11, No. 3 (Popper); Songs—Wine, Women and Song (Strauss); The Doll's Song (Strauss); The Doll's Song (Strauss); The Doll's Song (Strauss); Cello Solos—Vilo (Spanish Dance) (Copper); Spanish Dance (Granados).

The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra.
Aida—Selection (Verdi); Aida—Grand March (Verdi); Till Eulenspiegel's Lullaby (Strauss); Op. 28 (Till's Merry Pranks) (Strauss); Overture—The Merry Wives of Windsor (Nicola); Overture—Masaniello (Auber).

Vocal Gems.
The Mikado (Gilbert and Sullivan); Jolly Roger's Ruse (Friml); No, No, Nanette (Youmans); Bitter Sweet (Coward).

The J. H. Squire Celeste Octet.
Barcarolle—"Tales of Hoffmann" (Ogenbach); Salut D'Amour (Elgar); Andante in G (Battiste); Andantino (Song of the Soul) (Lemare); Souvenir (Farr Wiloughby); Phantom Minuet (Hops).

2.30 p.m. Close Down.
4.7 p.m. Chinese Programme.

5.15-5.45 p.m. From the Studio.
A Talk by Dr. T. Y. Li, M.D., B.S., (M.K.) D.M., and H. (ENG) on "Some Essential Points on Child Hygiene."

7-7.30 p.m. European Programme.
7.32 p.m. "Symphony No. 5 in E Minor" (Op. 65) ("The New World") (Dvorak) played by the Royal Albert Hall Orchestra.

7.42-8 p.m. Organ Music.
Tranqueller (Reverie) (Schumann); Andantino in D Flat (Lemare); The Storm (Lemmons)... Harry Goss-Custard.

8 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.03-8.10 p.m. Two Songs by Elisabeth Schumann (Soprano).
1. My Lovely Celia (arr. Lane Wilson); 2. Pastoral (arr. Lane Wilson).

8.10-8.35 p.m. From the Studio.
Edgar Sonata for Violin and Pianoforte, Op. 82 played by Prue Lewis and Maurice Barton.

8.35-8.45 p.m. Three Songs by Stuart Robertson (Baritone).
1. Silent Moon (Vaughan Williams); 2. When Lights go Rolling (Ireland); 3. When Dull Care (Lane Wilson).

8.45-9 p.m. The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band.
The Jolly Robbers—Overture (Suppe); The Black Domino Overture (arr. Winterbottom).

9-9.05 p.m. Reuter Press Bulletins.
9.05-9.15 p.m. Three Concert Waltzes.
Helena Walker (Offenbach); Kong (Continued on Page 4).

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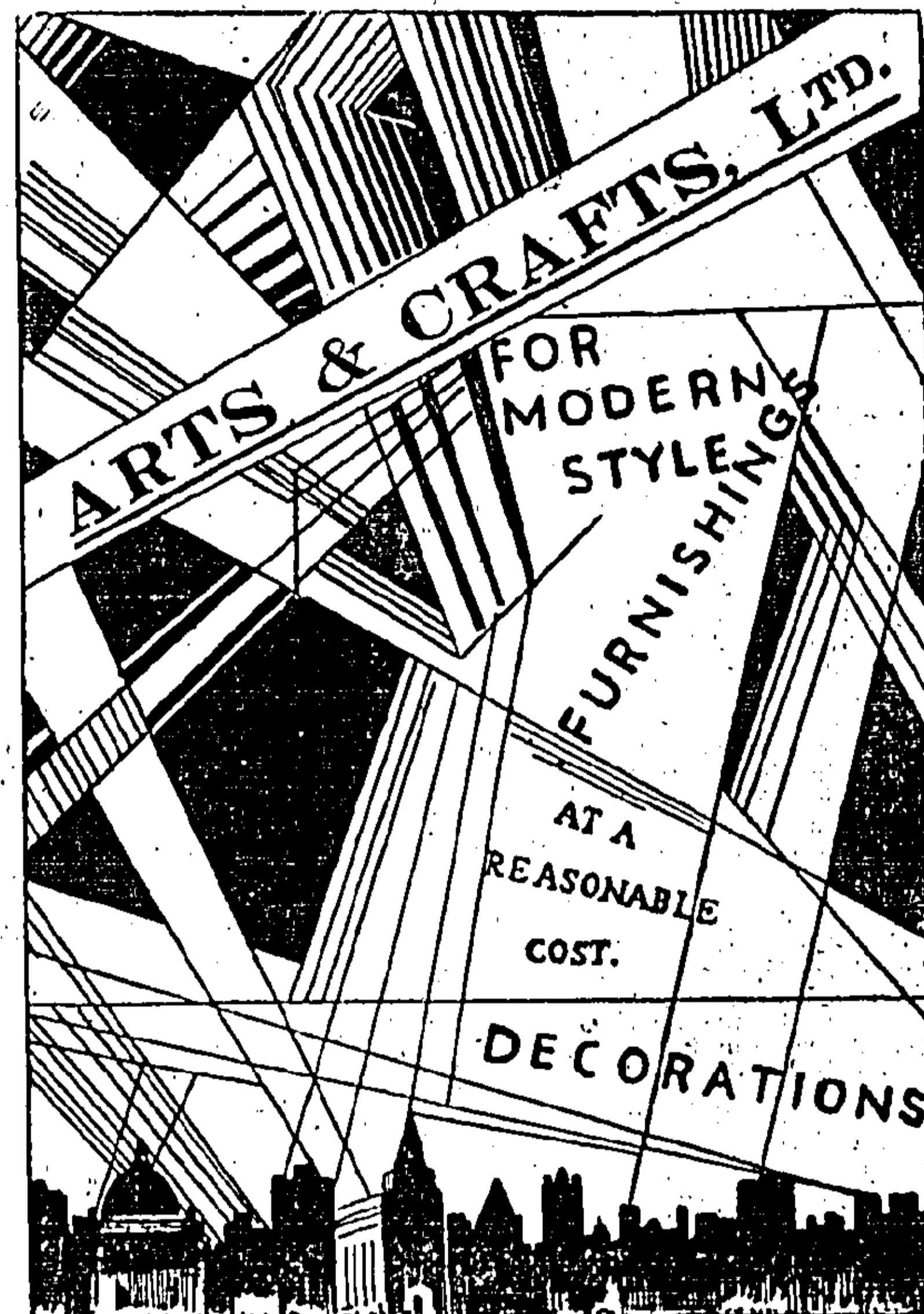
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TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIP

GOLDMAN AND PEARCE REACH LAST EIGHT

(By "Varitas")

L. Goldman and T. A. Pearce, aided and abetted by Lu Tak-lam, yesterday won their way into the last eight of the Colony doubles tennis championship. They beat Lu Tak-cheuk and Lu Tak-lam 6-4, 5-7, 6-2 after a match of curious inconsistencies, patches of brilliance and intervals of childish blunders.

Although I expected the Lu brothers to have a slight edge on the new Goldman-Pearce combination, the result did not come as a surprise, as it was evident before the players took the court that it was a match in which anything might happen.

As it was Goldman and Pearce played the steadier tennis and were, perhaps, rather fortunate to find Lu Tak-lam at his very poorest.

Lu Tak-cheuk tried very hard to cover the deficiencies of his brother and, with the exception of Goldman, who was unusually reliable, played the best tennis of the four. But Tak-cheuk had his bad moments and they generally occurred at crucial stages.

FINE MATCH PROMISED

The winners gave a pleasing display and are going to have a rare tussle with Fincher and Hung in the next round. Pearce warned to his task as the game progressed. Earlier on he experienced difficulty in timing the ball and was not always making proper use of his racket on the volley. But he served well throughout the match if one forgets a few wretched double faults, due chiefly to the poor service of his second delivery which has "defence" written all over it.

In the second and third sets his forecast work improved out of all knowledge and several times he had the opposition bewildered with his cut volleys which made the ball fall short and "stand up." A. E. Crawley, of course, tells us that volleys and smashes made with an oblique racket is a bad thing; but Pearce revealed that even bad things can become good things if employed at the right time against the right people.

Goldman, whose customary game is a mixture of sheer genius and "rabbit" shots decided to play a nice intermediate type of game in this match and thereby made a very big contribution to the result. When the time came for a little extra pressure to be applied he was ready with some of his best shots—a smart interception at the net; a dazzling recovery volley, or an unexpected retrieve from a good lob. It was in these phases that Goldman shone, while Pearce concentrated more on the straight-forward stuff, and did it very creditably.

NEVER PLAYED WORSE

About the losers one can only say that Lu Tak-lam has never played worse. Off the ground he could do nothing right, either netting or overhitting. He appeared to be running.

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FIVE BADMINTON MATCHES

Last Evening

A full programme of league badminton matches was played last evening, two men's doubles and three mixed doubles contests being decided.

Elliot Hall "A" played their last match before sailing to-day for Shanghai, and when they return they will have but two outstanding games. Recreio "A" also set about winging off arrears and played Fire Brigade in a re-arranged match, winning easily.

In the mixed doubles Kowloon Tong brought their season to a close when they were beaten 6-3 at St. Andrew's. Gray and Miss Mackenzie won all three for Kowloon Tong after some exciting exchanges. Miss Mackenzie's net interceptions pulled them through in two of the games, when they trailed 0-0 in one and 4-14 in another. The best game of the evening was between E. F. Fincher and Miss Churn and Gray and Miss Mackenzie which saw-awed all the way and was only decided after "setting" the game at 20-11.

Chinese Recreation Club garnered points with ease at the expense of Sultors and Soldiers Home, although offering stout opposition could not prevent Recreio "B" winning by seven games to two at King's Park.

Details of all five matches follow.

MEN'S DOUBLES

RECREIO "A" v. FIRE BRIGADE
Played at King's Park, Recreio winning by eight games to one.

"A" beat E. L. H. Shute and Kenneth Shute 21-4; beat J. L. Anderson and O. Williams 21-2.

"A" beat Shute and Shute 21-7; beat Anderson and Stoker 21-5; beat Fisher and Williams 18-21.

ST. JOHN'S v. ELLIOT HALL "A"
At the Cathedral Hall last night, St. John's Club by 6 games to nil.

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Our Daily Golf Hint

Another characteristic of good players is that they play massive shots with a straight left arm.

—Sir E. Holderness.

GREAT CRICKET TRIUMPH

Australians Unbeaten In South Africa

GRIMMETT'S 45 WICKETS

Durban, Mar. 3. Australia's tour of South Africa closed here to-day with another Test triumph, by an innings and six runs—and with another triumph for Grimmett, who took 6 for 73 in the South African second innings. He had taken 7 for 100 in the first innings.

Undelected throughout their programme of fifteen matches, the Australians won all but one of the Tests and all but two ordinary games. Three Tests and seven other games were won by an innings, the other Test by 9 wickets and one other match by 10 wickets.

No player has contributed more to their success than the 43-year-old Grimmett, who in spite of the great difference in South African wickets as compared with Australian and English, has still further emphasised his, probably, unequalled greatness as a bowler by taking 45 Test wickets for an average of 14.26 in 346 overs 140 of which were maidens.

Second only to Grimmett has been the bowling of O'Reilly, who has taken 27 wickets in Tests. The other three bowlers, apart from Grimmett, only took 27 between them.

TEST AVERAGES

AUSTRALIA

BATTING

| | Innings | Runs | Score | Avg. |
|-----------------|---------|------|-------|-------|
| J. H. Fingleton | 7 | 478 | 118 | 69.66 |
| A. J. McCabe | 7 | 380 | 109 | 57.14 |
| W. A. Brown | 7 | 417 | 121 | 58.57 |
| L. O'Brien | 2 | 107 | 39 | 53.50 |
| L. S. Darling | 6 | 229 | 62 | 45.80 |
| G. Chipfield | 5 | 164 | 109 | 32.80 |
| W. E. O'Reilly | 6 | 97 | 58 | 24.25 |
| W. A. Oldfield | 5 | 121 | 44 | 24.20 |
| C. Y. Grimmett | 5 | 70 | 38 | 17.50 |
| E. L. McCormick | 5 | 84 | 45 | 16.80 |
| E. L. McCormick | 5 | 19 | 18 | 3.80 |

BOWLING

| | O. | M. | R. | W. | Avg. |
|-----------------|-----|-----|-----|----|-------|
| Grimmett | 346 | 140 | 642 | 45 | 14.26 |
| O'Reilly | 268 | 112 | 469 | 27 | 17.33 |
| McCormick | 124 | 24 | 115 | 27 | 40.00 |
| McCormick | 45 | 8 | 125 | 8 | 42.00 |
| Fleetwood-Smith | 122 | 24 | 350 | 9 | 42.22 |

bat to Chan and Lee 1-21; lost to Lee and Young 9-21; lost to Soon and Liew 10-21.

LEAGUE TABLE

| | P. | W. | L. | F. | A. | Pts. |
|-----------------|----|----|----|-----|----|------|
| Elliot Hall "A" | 20 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 38 | 38 |
| Recreio "A" | 17 | 16 | 1 | 103 | 23 | 32 |
| C.R.C. | 10 | 14 | 5 | 111 | 45 | 28 |

St. Andrew's "A" 18 14 4 90 62 28

Elliot Hall "B" 17 12 5 83 43 22

Recreio "B" 16 10 5 73 44 20

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VARSIITY TACTICS WILL ALSO BE A BIG FACTOR

(By R. Abbit)

Given fine weather, or rather, weather in which cricket is possible—the final destination of the Senior Shield must be known this evening, for any result to the game will settle things. In fact provided they play, the only thing I am afraid about is whether there will be enough cricket balls! I imagine a lot are going to be hit over the wire netting!

But no doubt it is going to be a tremendously interesting match and I do hope for a fine afternoon. I fully expect to see a large number of spectators and I would venture to suggest that the extremely intelligent white and yellow pavilion can be asked to wash his face—or her's, as the case may be—in honour of the occasion.

There is much speculation in cricket circles as to what will happen and I find rather diverging views. On the whole I think opinion rather tends to expect a draw. Personally I frankly admit that I have no idea what is going to happen. Theoretically if the University could hold out against Pereira and Minu, they should be able to do so against Goodwin and R. Lee. Again though, the K.C.C. batting is going well this year it owes much of its strength to three men, Teddy Fincher, A. T. Lay, and Norman Mackay; and I have known it to collapse!

But Goodwin has the full strength of his first eleven. I imagine, his batting order will be E. C. Fincher, A. T. Lay, N. A. E. Mackay, E. F. Fincher, W. C. Hung, A. W. Ramsay, F. S. W. Smith, F. Zimmerman, S. V. Gittins, R. Lee and F. Goodwin. There should be a lot of runs in that side, unless Gosano has a few inspired overs.

For the bowling, Goodwin will presumably look to himself and Lee with Willie Hung, Smith, and Gittins. By the way I shall be interested to see if the ground is big enough to hold the latter—or Smith—if Gosano really gets going with the bat!

CRUCIAL POINTS

There seem to me to be certain points on which the result hangs. In the first place if the K.C.C. can win the toss and put the University in the road to victory. Remember, it is not a question of anything but a win or out-right. They might just as well be beaten as draw the game. And when that is the case it is now the general opinion that the University opponents in the sound scheme.

The next point is, when the University do bat, can their first wicket take the sting out of the K.C.C. first pair of bowlers sufficiently to pave the way for a big innings by Gosano? With him going at one end the other University batsmen always play 100 per cent. better.

And there is the point that always exists—are the K.C.C. going to hold their catches? I confess I have not seen a great deal of them this season, (though I hope to make up for this next morning) I have heard it whispered that the fielding has not been up to its old standard, and that while some very brilliant catches have been taken, too many reasonable ones have been put on the carpet. They can't afford to do this to-day.

THE VARSITY TACTICS

Now there are two things I don't know about the University—in this match I mean of course—and one of those is the exact composition of the team. But I have reason to believe that both Gosano and O'Leary will be back. As they stand to the Varsity eleven as Goodwin and Robert Lee do to K.C.C. this is rather important. But I believe all is well.

The other thing I don't know is what tactics Gosano will employ, and what attitude he will take up as regards the match. He would be best advised in my mind if he adopted the same order as he did in the I.R.C. match, opening with Fong and Tata and carrying on with Kide and then case I am sure a long stand is made for the opening pair when he should move up to first wicket. I presume he will bowl himself as much as possible at one end. His bid is better than most of the other people's good except O'Leary.

Personally I should imagine he is physically fit enough to bowl the whole time, but if he has to have a spell I should recommend someone who bowls just short of a length outside the off stump, rather than donkey-drops. One should not ride an experimental horse.

Still more important perhaps is the attitude he adopts. He may join in the K.C.C. feeling and play to win or lose; or he may play to win or draw. He would be entirely justified in taking either course and the decision must rest with him alone. In any case I am sure we shall see a most excellent and most sporting game and

OTHER GAMES

The only league games besides this are the Club v. C.S.C.C. matches. The Club first are at home and I understand they are having some trouble in raising a side. They have been most unfortunate this year as Mitchell has been very ill—I am delighted to hear of the great success which attended his operation—Ricketts left very early and now Duckitt is away. Then Crowder, who has helped them out for some weeks, has gone to Singapore and to crown all else Pearce has given up cricket for association football. He will be sadly missed in the Interport side next October if he perseveres in this.

The Civil Service also have their difficulties as neither Griffiths nor Wallington can turn out as I understand Queen's College have their sports on. It should be quite a good game.

The H.K.C.C. second will probably be very depleted but they may yet second. The game is on the C.S.C.C. ground, I believe. There are two non-league games down—I.R.C. II against the Sappers and Kowloon second against the Navy second. I think the home teams should win.

FIXTURES

The difficulties that are being experienced as regards getting through the later fixtures in this season to my mind amply justify the attack I made early on upon the present method of arranging the fixture list at the beginning of the season, and I know no policy for reverting to the subject in the hope that I may annoy people into getting things done better at the beginning of next season.

Things are in a mess at the end of this season. So they were last year. So they have been for years. And all because the League Secretaries try to fix up everything at the one meeting of the League and then rearrange later. And it does not work.

Consider, some of you, on what date you got your printed fixture list from your Club! The League Authorities should control this fixture list. I know we had an Interport this year played in the Colony. We shall probably have one played at Shanghai in October—(unless we make it ice hockey). I know it makes things very difficult but all the more reason to organise properly.

I submit that the fixing of League games should be done under the general authority of the League Committee; that is, that a preliminary meeting should be held—perhaps mapped out roughly—considering the various "big" games, such as the Triangular Tournament, which make the fixture of league games for those dates undesirable for several of the Clubs, etc. etc., and that then a second meeting should be held to sort things all out. Until that had been done, no non-League fixtures should be arranged, and all League fixtures, except perhaps for those of the University should be terminated by the end of February. Think it over!

PAST GAMES

Congratulations to Captain Welch on his merry century against the R.A.M.C. I gather he was positively rough with the bowling. I am glad to see him getting going as he has had rather poor luck this season. The R.A.M.C. won a crushing victory. They are out of luck—and so is the Army—for I hear that Corporal Ballard goes home in the "troop" next week. He has been of great service to Army cricket and I am inclined to think he is a much better player than most people have considered him. I wish him all luck in his next season at home—and afterwards.

I hope to publish a full account of the K.C.C. and University match on Tuesday next.

GRAND NATIONAL

London, March 27. The result of the Grand National was as follows: Royal Ascot (Mr. Walwyn), 10 to 1. Ego (Mr. Llewellyn), 50 to 1. Bachelor Prince (Fawcus) 66 to 1. Thirty five ran. The race was won by twelve lengths and there were six lengths between second and third. Avenger, ridden by Rimell, which started favourite, fell and broke his neck and has succumbed to his injuries.—Reuter.



S. R. KERMANI

KERMANI LEAVING FOR GOOD

SHANGHAI CRICKET SUFFERS LOSS

Though the notice given was unavoidably short, a good crowd gathered at the Shanghai Recreation Club to say farewell to S. R. Kermani, for so many years a shining light in the club. Mr. Kermani left in the m.s. Victoria, and does not expect to return to Shanghai.

On behalf of the Club Mr. J. L. Wade, vice-president, presented a memento and recalled to those present Mr. Kermani's sports honours. He was an interport cricketer of note, his prowess spreading over into other fields of endeavour including hockey and tennis. Following Mr. Kermani's reply, Mr. D. W. Shanghai Cricket Club spoke of the great loss Mr. Kermani's leaving will mean to Shanghai cricket, and wished him much success in his future endeavours elsewhere.

Referee Free From All Blame

COMMISSION FINDINGS

London, Mar. 4. The report was issued in the Commission appointed by the F.A. Council to inquire into the circumstances arising out of the Sunderland v. Chelsea match on February 1.

The Sunderland goalkeeper, J. H. Thorpe, died on February 5, which resulted in a verdict by the Inquest jury: "That the cause of his death was Diabetes Mellitus accelerated by the rough usage he sustained while he was taking part as goalkeeper." "These facts are not disputed and would, in our opinion, not justify him taking part in a football match," says the report.

It is regretted that the referee was criticized in his absence.

FIGHTING FIT

For Army Area Boxing Titles

Reports from the various training camps indicate that competitors in the forthcoming Army Area Boxing Championships to be held on April 4 and subsequent dates, are fighting fit, and competition this year is to be keener than ever. Rivalry, though friendly, is intense, and rumours are that "they will be more than favourite beaten by 'dark horses'."

A remarkable amount of public interest in being displayed in the event which is spread over three evenings—April 14, April 9 and April 17. It is well to bear in mind that accommodation is strictly limited and that early booking of seats is advisable.

TO-DAY'S RACES

HEROD IS NOT RUNNING

MY SELECTIONS

(By "Captain Foster")

It is learned on good authority that Herod, the favourite for the Mrs. Bay Handicap "A" Class, is "dicky" and will not face the start. Rose Evelyn will not fall in for the main event, the Sub-Griffins Spring Handicap, and the popular alk "Crimson," yellow cap, has no other representative. The jockey, Mr. Dietz will take out Tiny Star, the winner of the Royal Navy Cup at the Annual Race Meeting, for the Sub-Griffins Spring Handicap.

My selections for the programme are as follows:

COLONIAL STAKES

Laughing Girl
Amberley

ROSE HILL PLATE

Honey
Zodiac
Britus

MIRS BAY HANDICAP

Soldier of Britain
Gladator
King's Warden

SUB-GRIFFINS SPRING HANDICAP

Young Chap
Blaise
Valley View

COMMONWEALTH HANDICAP

King's Sceptre
Ribble
Flybynight

CALLIOPE HANDICAP

Vixen Tor
Strathroy
Shooting Star

TAIWAN BAY HANDICAP

Ythan
Miracle
Belmont Star

HONGKONG BAY HANDICAP

Hetman
King's Justice
Soldier of China

UNION PLATE

The Gorilla
Gold Sovereign
Ocean View

Daily Double

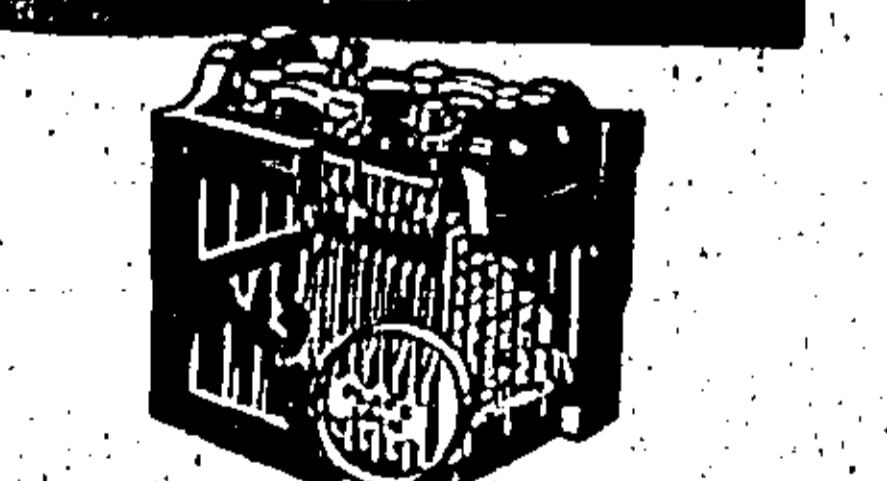
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FIRST MEETING

Bowls Association Council To Discuss Activities

The Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association Council will hold its first meeting of the season on Tuesday, April 7, when the activities for the year are to be discussed. The meeting will take place in the board room of the South China Morning Post, Ltd., at 5.30 p.m.

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STAND COURT COMES INTO USE NEXT MONDAY FOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

TSUI BROS. V. RUMJAHN COUSINS

GOLDMAN AND PEARCE IN LAST EIGHT

(Continued from Page 8.)

into the ball all the time and found himself required to hit the ball with his elbow close into the hips. Anybody can tell you the result of that type of stroke. He was little better when invading the forecourt, generally taking the ball too late on the volley and too early overhead.

In Tak-cheuk saved the pair from annihilation in two sets. At times he pulled out some lovely shots—across volleys and passing drives. Overhead he was vulnerable, especially when driven back to half court or further. But on the whole his play compared favourably with the winners, and if his brother had given him anything like adequate support I think the result would have been reversed.

EASY WINS

Both Lai Kwong-tsun and H. D. Rumjahn enjoyed comfortable passages into the quarter-finals of the singles. Lai, placing the ball very accurately, and driving with power on the forehand, out-paced and out-placed J. W. Leonard, who defended very well, but not well enough.

Leonard most of the time made the mistake of returning the balls to Lai's forehand, which is his stroke-in-chief. Leonard might have earned himself a few more games if he had pegged away at Lai's backhand, which cannot, by any stretch of the imagination, be called an attacking stroke.

The stand court at the Cricket Club comes into use for the tennis championships on Monday next, the first match to be played being between the Tsui brothers and the Rumjahn cousins. Full programme for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday next follows.

MONDAY

Open Doubles.—H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn v. Tsui Wai-pui and Tsui Yun-pui.
Open Singles.—Paul Kong v. R. Blyth; E. C. Fincher v. Leo Hung-nook.
Club Championship.—L. Goldman v. Lieut. Comdr. S. F. Stapleton.
Handicap Singles.—W. A. S. Grant v. W. Wooding.
Handicap Doubles.—G. W. Sewell and H. J. Armstrong v. E. Bathurst and A. T. Lay; D. M. Macdougall and H. R. Butters v. A. H. Penn and V. R. Gordon; Lieut. W. P. Lucy and R. A. Phillimore v. H. Owen Hughes and T. A. Pearce.

TUESDAY

Open Doubles.—M. K. and M. W. Lo v. Paul Kong and Lai Kwong-tsun; Lee Wai-tong and Luk Ding-cheung v. S. A. Gray and A. Crawford.
Club Championship.—W. A. S. Grant v. G. Folgate; E. Bathurst v. D. M. Macdougall.
Handicap Singles.—H. J. Armstrong v. T. C. Monaghan; J. E. Divett v. M. Pugh.
Handicap Doubles.—L. Forster and L. T. Hild v. A. C. I. Bowker and A. K. Mackenzie.

WEDNESDAY

Open Doubles.—T. A. Pearce and L. Goldman v. E. C. Fincher and W.

HOCKEY CHAMPIONS

Lady Cup Winners To Meet The Rest

The hockey match between the Central British Association Ladies, champions of the Caer Clark Cup competition, and the Rest, will be played at Seokumpoo to-day at 3.15 p.m. and not to-morrow morning as previously announced.
Prior to this match the H.K. Ladies Hockey Club, winners of the Brawn Cup, will be opposed to the Rest. A strong team has been selected to represent the Rest against the Caer Clark champions. The side is as follows:
Mrs. J. Lunson (H.K. Ladies); Miss E. M. Gray (H.K. Ladies) and Miss A. Fowler (Y. Ladies); Miss J. Wong (St. Andrew's), Miss E. Xavier (Club de Recreio) and Mrs. M. Bell (H.K. Ladies); Miss O. Dalziel (Y. Ladies); Miss S. Dalziel (Y. Ladies); Miss P. Gittins (St. Andrew's), Mrs. M. Read (Y. Ladies) and Miss M. Westcott (Y. Ladies).
At the conclusion of the matches, Mrs. T. E. Pearce, President of the Hongkong Ladies Hockey Association, will present the season's trophies.

C. Hung.
Open Singles.—Tennie Kwok v. A. V. Gosano.
Handicap Singles.—A. C. I. Bowker v. J. Thomson; E. Bathurst v. W. P. Lucy.
Handicap Doubles.—J. and G. S. Rodger v. W. W. McKenzie and D. S. Robb.

Two Days Race Programme

AT VALLEY ON APRIL 11, 13

The programme for the Third Extra Meeting of the Hongkong Jockey Club for April 11 and 13 appears below:

1.—12.30 p.m.—Canton Handicap.—For China Ponies, "B" Class. Jockey Allowance. One Mile.
2.—1.00 p.m.—New Bridge Handicap.—For Australian Ponies, "A" Class. Jockey Allowance. Five Furlongs.
3.—2.30 p.m.—Fatahan Handicap.—First Section.—For China Ponies, "C" Class. Griffins of this season that have won \$750 or more in stakes, barred. Jockey Allowance. Six Furlongs.

Notes.—One Entry only will be made for the Fatahan Handicap (Races Nos. 3 and 9). Entries will be divided into First and Second Sections at the discretion of the Handicapper.

4.—3.30 p.m.—Shek Pai Handicap.—For China Ponies, "A" Class. Winners of \$5,000 or more in stakes since 1st January, 1935, barred. Jockey Allowance. Five Furlongs.
5.—3.30 p.m.—Swatow Handicap.—First Section.—For China Ponies, "D" Class. Subscription Griffins of this Club of this season that have won \$750 or more in stakes, barred. Jockey Allowance. One Mile.
Notes.—One Entry only will be made for the Swatow Handicap (Races Nos. 6 and 10). Entries will be divided into First and Second Sections at the discretion of the Handicapper.

6.—4 p.m.—St. George's Plate.—A Handicap for China Ponies, Griffins of this season. Jockey Allowance. One Mile.
7.—4.30 p.m.—Kongmun Handicap.—For China Ponies, Subscription Griffins of this Club of this season. Winners of more than \$750 in stakes, barred. To be ridden by Jockeys who have not won ten races anywhere at any time. One Mile.
8.—5 p.m.—St. Kilda Handicap.—For Australian Ponies, "B" Class. Jockey Allowance. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (About One Mile 171 Yards).

9.—5.30 p.m.—Fatahan Handicap.—Second Section.—For China Ponies, "C" Class. Griffins of this season that have won \$750 or more in stakes, barred. Jockey Allowance. Six Furlongs.
10.—6.00 p.m.—Swatow Handicap.—Second Section.—For China Ponies, "D" Class. Subscription Griffins of this Club of this season that have won \$750 or more in stakes, barred. Jockey Allowance. One Mile.

Daily Double Event.—Fifth and Seventh Races.
SECOND DAY'S EVENTS
1.—12.30 p.m.—Sugar Leaf Handicap.—For China Ponies, Griffins of this season. Ponies that have won more than \$750 in stakes, and winners at this Meeting, barred. Jockey Allowance. Five Furlongs.
2.—1.00 p.m.—Coolgardie Handicap.—For Australian Ponies, "B" Class. Winners at this Meeting, barred. Jockey Allowance. Five Furlongs.
3.—2.30 p.m.—Boa Vista Handicap.—First Section.—For China Ponies, "D" Class. Winners at this Meeting, and Subscription Griffins of this Club of this season that have not won a race, barred. Jockey Allowance. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (About One Mile 171 Yards).
Notes.—One Entry only will be made for the Boa Vista Handicap (Races Nos. 3 and 7). Entries will be divided into First and Second Sections at the discretion of the Handicapper.

4.—3.00 p.m.—Easter Stakes.—For China Ponies. Weight 145 lb. Winners at any time of one race, 5 lb; of 2 races, 7 lb; of 3 races, 10 lb; of 4 or more races, 15 lb; penalty. One Mile.
5.—3.30 p.m.—Morrison Hill Handicap.—For China Ponies, "B" Class. Jockey Allowance. Six Furlongs.

6.—4 p.m.—Kellie Handicap.—First Section.—For China Ponies, "C" Class. Winners at this Meeting, and Griffins of this season that have won \$750 or more in stakes, barred. Jockey Allowance. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (About One Mile 171 Yards).
Notes.—One Entry only will be made for the Kellie Handicap (Races Nos. 6 and 9). Entries will be divided into First and Second Sections at the discretion of the Handicapper.

7.—4.30 p.m.—Boa Vista Handicap.—First Section.—For China Ponies, "D" Class. Winners at this Meeting, and Subscription Griffins of this Club of this season that have not won a race, barred. Jockey Allowance. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (About One Mile 171 Yards).
8.—5 p.m.—Broken Hill Handicap.—For Australian Ponies, "A" Class. Winners at this Meeting, barred. Jockey Allowance. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (About One Mile 171 Yards).

9.—5.30 p.m.—Kellie Handicap.—Second Section.—For China Ponies, "C" Class. Winners at this Meeting, and Griffins of this season that have won \$750 or more in stakes, barred. Jockey Allowance. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and In (About One Mile 171 Yards).
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10.—6.00 p.m.—Swatow Handicap.—Second Section.—For China Ponies, "D" Class. Subscription Griffins of this Club of this season that have won \$750 or more in stakes, barred. Jockey Allowance. One Mile.

Daily Double Event.—Fifth and Seventh Races.
Entries close at Noon on Thursday, April 2.

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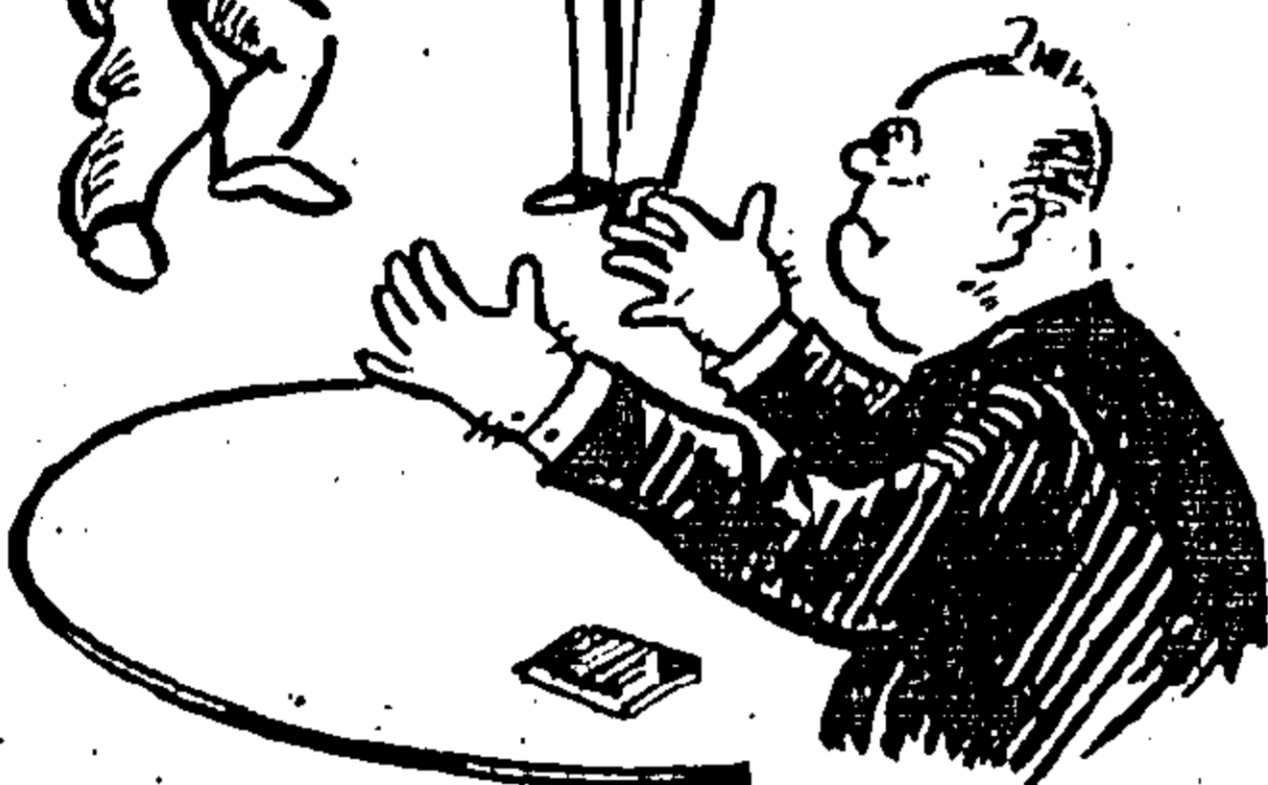
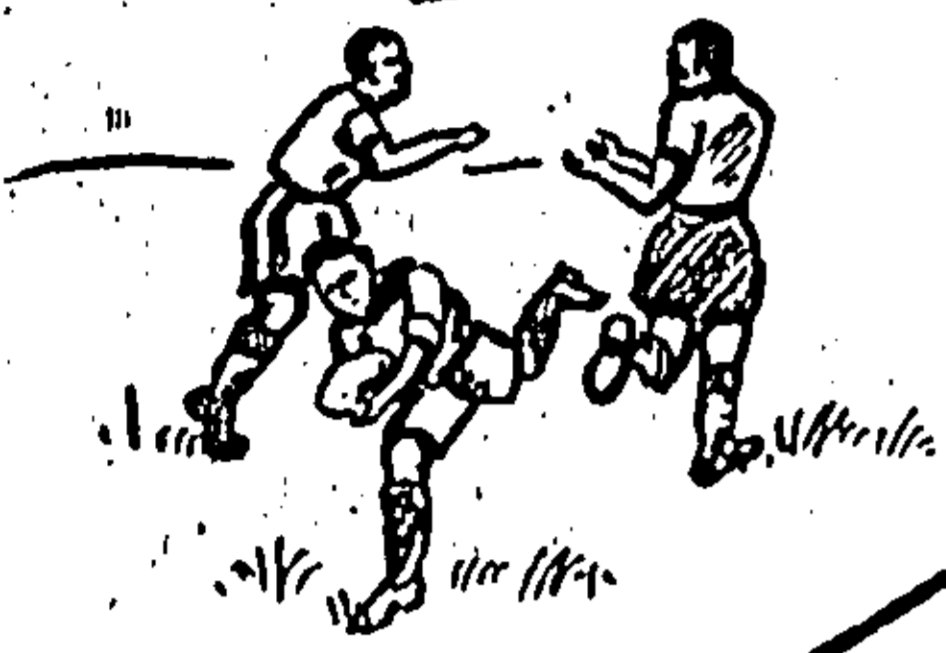
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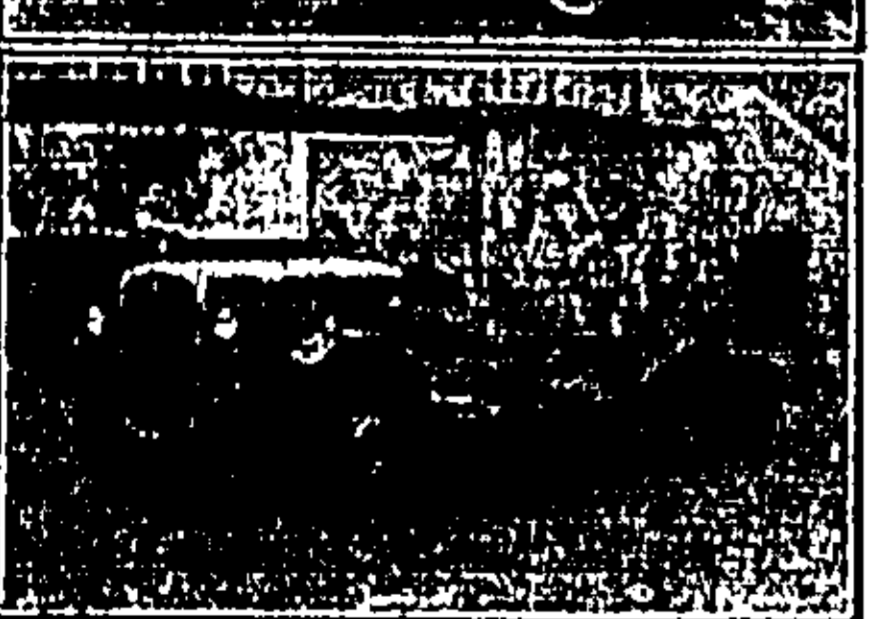


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LEGISLATION IN AMERICA

Washington, Mar. 18.

Some of the mystery surrounding Sir Basil Zaharoff, Europe's super arms salesman, Spanish duke and British Knight of the Garter, was lifted when youthful Senator Gerald P. Nye, Republican, North Dakota, banged his gavel to start the inquiry more than 17 months ago.

Now, as the investigation approaches an end and Congress is busy trying to draft legislation to keep the nation out of war, the record shows a series of sensational disclosures.

The white-whiskered "maker and breaker of kings" probably was enjoying the warm sunshine on one of his Mediterranean villas when the investigation began on September 4, 1934, but his name made news in the marble pillared room where many famous men faced Senate committees.

Moving rapidly, investigators disclosed that from 1919 to 1930 the Electric Boat Company of Groton, Connecticut, paid commissions totalling \$706,099 to Sir Basil, whose munitions dealings in Europe cover half a century. It was shown his services were to "do the needful" in holding a Spanish contract against competition from German and Italian submarine companies.

Witnesses described Zaharoff as a man with "a very brilliant mind," but they could not throw light on his many activities. Few had met him; none knew his nationality. From the record, the committee learned that he enjoyed a close relationship with officials of several European governments and he was a master at the art of influencing men to buy war materials from the firms he represented.

Committee's Record
At the end of its first week, the committee claimed to have made this record:

That officers of the Electric Boat Company gave Sir Basil free advice on how to avoid payment of U. S. income taxes;

That Sir Basil counselled the American firm on the technique of "lobbying" successfully with the U. S. Navy Department, and prevailed upon it to use its influence to get the State Department to help it sell submarines to Spain;

That the company had a cartel agreement with Vickers, Ltd. huge British arms manufacturing concern, under which the two firms divided the markets of the world and shared profits and patent secrets;

That American submarine patent secrets passed freely into the hands of the British government and eventually reached Germany where some of them were used in building the U-boats that sank allied vessels during the World War;

That at the time of the Tanna-Africa dispute the submarine firm negotiated for sales to Peru and at the same time coached Vickers on how to obtain business from Chile, Peru's enemy;

That the War Department turned over its secret plans for anti-aircraft guns to an American manufacturer so that he could make the weapons and sell them to Poland;

That the Navy Department authorized a voyage of the cruiser Raleigh to Constantinople so that it could be used as a "sample case" by an American firm seeking business from the Turkish government;

That alleged bribery was a common practice of certain munition companies and their salesmen, and that a British firm once informed its American associate, "we fully understand that armament deals are not usually done without officials getting 'greased.'"

Prominence Faded
Zaharoff's prominence faded as the committee swung into an examination of war profits, individual salesmanship, methods, war preparations, and a score of other subjects. Before it had completed the first phase of its inquiry, the committee had stuffed its record with references to many famous men, dead and alive.

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London, Mar. 26.

Alfred Fincher, a farmer of Wallasea, when answering a rate summons at Southend told the magistrates that he had been so reduced by various charges on his farm that he could only earn his living by knitting stockings. He had had to sell all his stock and was living in a stable with his dog.

Anxious to develop sensational evidence quickly, the committee stumbled into numerous disclosures as a result of its disclosures relating to prominent officials abroad.

Secretary of State Cordell Hull imposed a censorship on the committee after British Ambassador Sir Ronald Lindsay objected because the name of the late King George V. was entered into the records.

Investigators created a stir September 7 when they disclosed the King had attempted to block an American munitions sale to Poland in an effort to swing the new business to a British firm.

It wasn't long before the committee heard additional protests from foreign nations. Objections were sent to Hull, after evidence was offered showing that agents of the Du Pont Powder Company had engaged the services of the son of the President of Argentina in 1931 to explain the "highly technical details" of a powder factory proposal.

Before ending the first phase of its inquiry, the committee made a partial survey of war profits. Taking the records of the Du Pont Co., it was shown that the firm's earnings increased from \$4,997,000 in 1914 to \$86,000,000 in 1915. Assets of the company grew from \$74,000,000 in 1913 to \$308,000,000 in 1918.

The most prominent example of how capital investment grew was shown in a report on the Pratt and Whitney Aircraft Co. The firm started out with an original investment of \$1,000. For this investment 5,000 shares of no par stock were issued at 20 cents a share. Returns through 1932 on the original investment were about \$11,437,250 or 1,143,725 per cent.

The committee showed large increases in the amount of business obtained by American companies in Germany despite provisions in the Versailles treaty restricting Germany's rearmament programme. United Aircraft Co. sales through Germany increased from \$2,000 in 1931 to \$1,445,000 in the first eight months of 1934.

Reports to the Du Pont Co., and other American arms corporations in 1933 and 1934 told of a tremendous increase in the contraband of arms and ammunition into Germany.—United Press.

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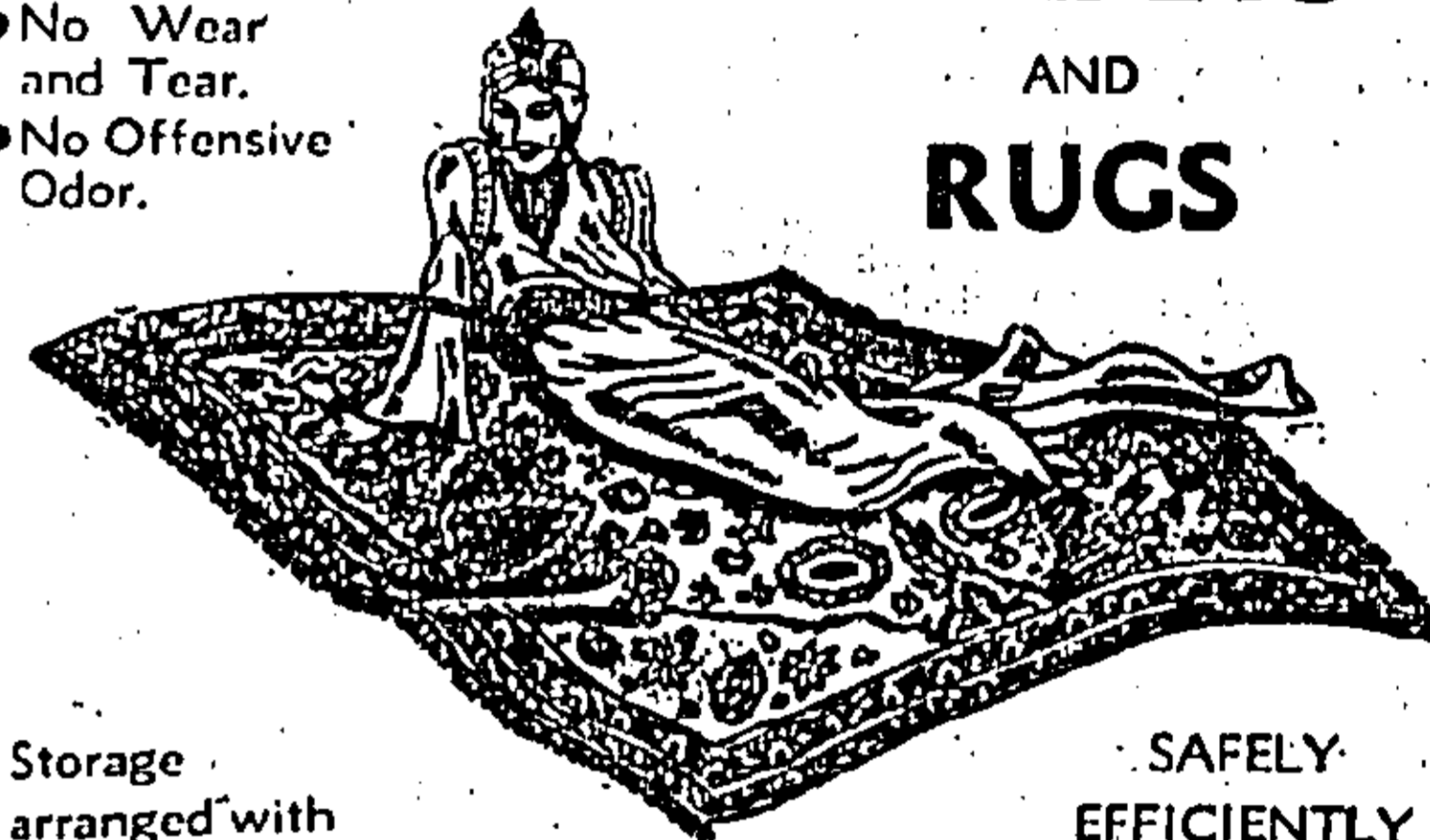
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G-MEN ASKED TO SMASH U.S. CRIME

Washington, Mar. 15.
Big-jawed, black-eyed J. Edgar Hoover, chief of the famous federal detectives called "G" men, has offered the national plan to rid it of the 1,445,000 crime cases it suffers a year.

Fresh from a campaign which made kidnapping a rarity within a few months after he got Congressional power to crush it, Hoover says other flourishing crimes can be suppressed if police get the power. It will take a break-down of the ancient system now in operation by which police have control over only small local areas, he asserted.

Hoover is no relation to the former president of the same name, but he is nearly as famous because of the success his "operators" in the Federal Bureau of Investigation had against kidnappers. Out of 62 cases submitted to the bureau after kidnapping was declared by Congress to be a federal crime, all have been solved and most of the offenders apprehended.

His men are called "G" men, as short for Government men, and in contrast to local or state police.

Short "Arm Of Law"

Crime thrives throughout the United States chiefly because the "arm of the law" is so short and the miles a criminal can travel in modern times so great, according to Hoover. Instead of being able to reach across the continental span of the United States to seize criminals speeding from the scenes of their violence, police are confined generally to operation in tiny local areas; City limits, county or state boundaries, stop most of them.

Discussing the general crime problem, Hoover said:

"The scope, the magnitude of crime as it exists, reaches staggering figures. Last year in the United States there was an estimated total of 1,445,000 serious crimes. In one year alone, almost one and a half million major crimes were committed against the citizens of this country."

"In other words, there was crime of desperate proportions—auto theft, burglary, aggravated assault, robbery, manslaughter, rape and murder—committed against one of every 84 persons in this country."

Petty Criminals

Hoover emphasised that most criminals start in petty local breaches of the law and then expand their operations into wider, more violent actions. He cited this as a double reason for relaxation of the laws regarding police activity. The local police must be stricter in enforcing laws so as to prevent the start of crime, and be freer to co-operate with each other in suppression of big crime.

The present system of localised police control, arose from the virtual independence of states in the early days of the nation. Federal police were not permitted to interfere with local affairs. This has permitted thousands of criminals to escape punishment by crossing state border lines of which there are more than 125,000 miles in the U.S.

"All of us know," said Hoover, "too well that there is a beaten track of criminality moving from the Gulf of Mexico to the Canadian border, with side shoots which often reach to the coasts of the Atlantic and the Pacific. Crime, when it becomes a truly predatory thing, knows no boundaries."

Police Blocked By Law

"However, the harassed officer who must pursue that criminal finds himself blocked by statutes and laws at city, county, or state lines. Therefore, in the apprehension of these predatory characters, it becomes necessary to overcome almost insurmountable obstacles."

"If the pursuit by an officer must stop at a county line, then indeed he is outwitted unless the officer of the next county takes up the chase, and the officers of other states assist, plus the action of such organisations of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, of which I am proud to be the head."

"The adage of the chain being no stronger than its weakest link is here exemplified. Let co-operation falter and the chase indeed becomes a difficult one."

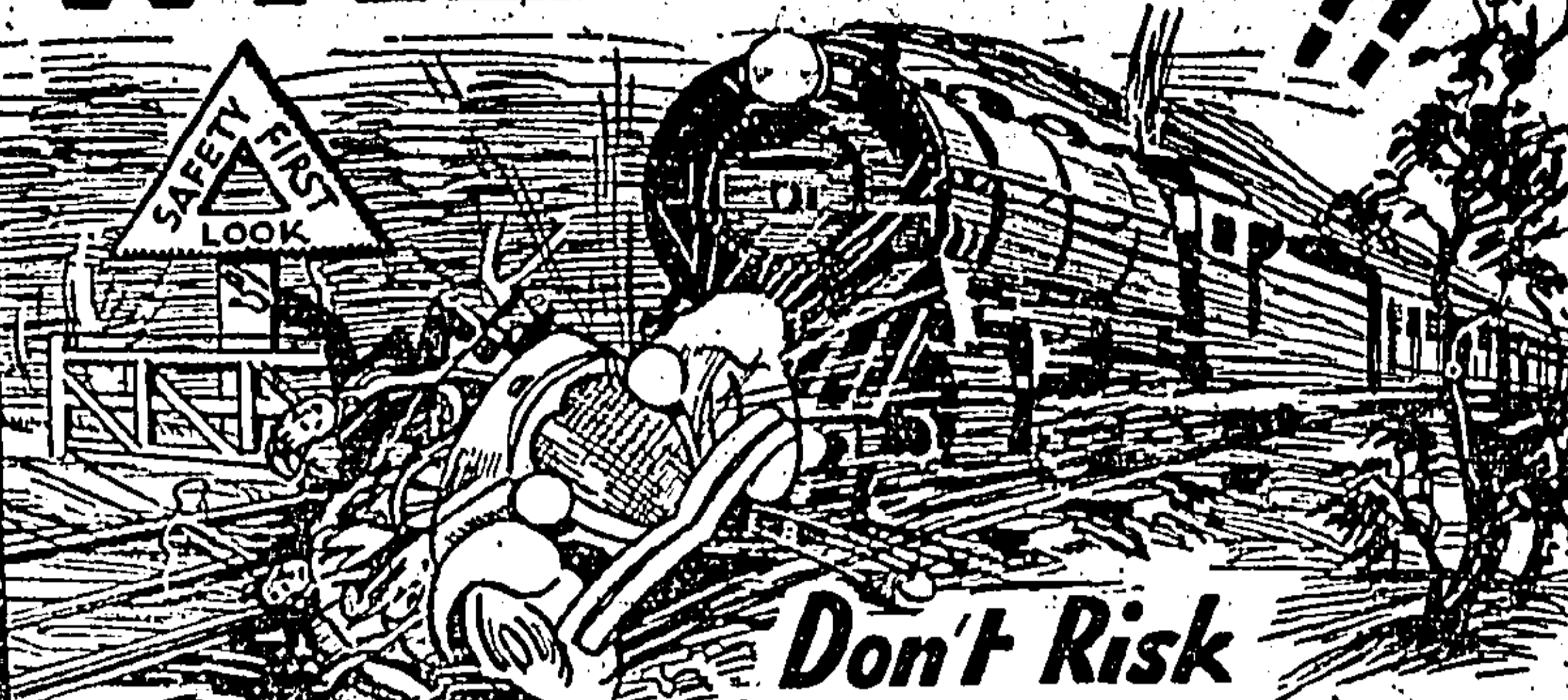
"The Federal Bureau of Investigation believes that the secret of crime eradication lies in solidarity and the combined linking of all law enforcement agencies. Much already has been done along this line and with every forging of a new link in this chain of co-operation, we find an added impetus in the war against crime."

Hoover pointed out that the national system of finger-printing already had produced great results, and helped apprehend criminals as far away as Egypt and South Africa.

In the recent kidnapping case of Charles F. Urschel, the trail of the criminals spread from the state of Oklahoma into Texas.

"From Texas," Hoover said, "it spread to an expanse of the United States greater than that of continental Europe, and led to the wiping out, not only of a kidnap band, but of all the roots of crime which had supported this band. Persons who had harboured the criminals were taken before the bar of justice. Others who had assisted them in hiding or passing the money were convicted."

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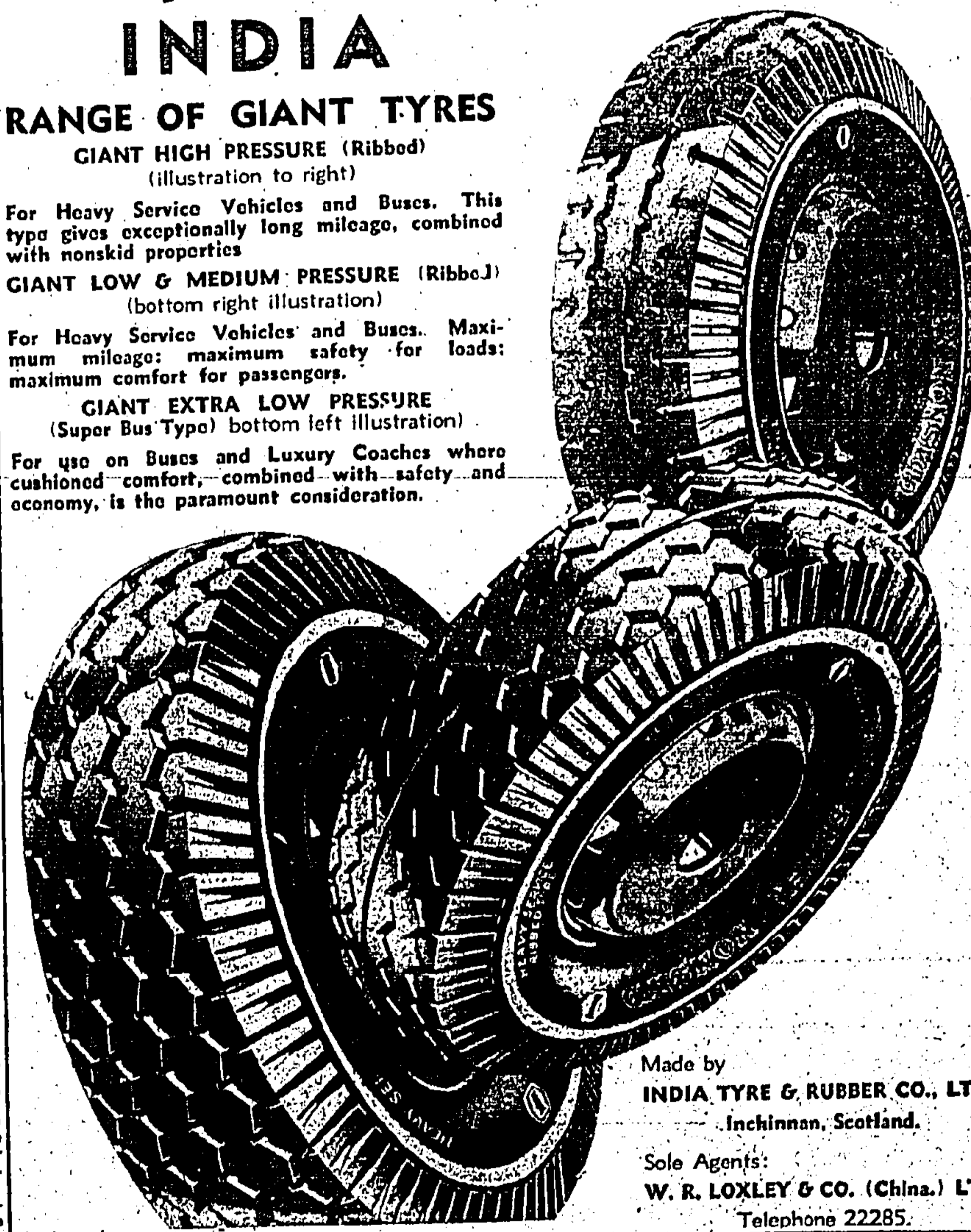
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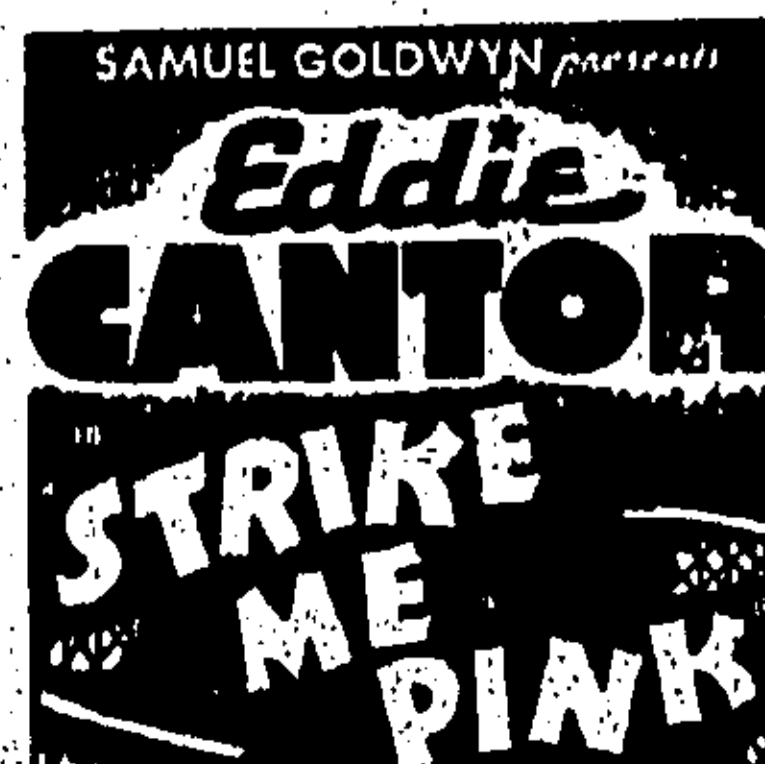
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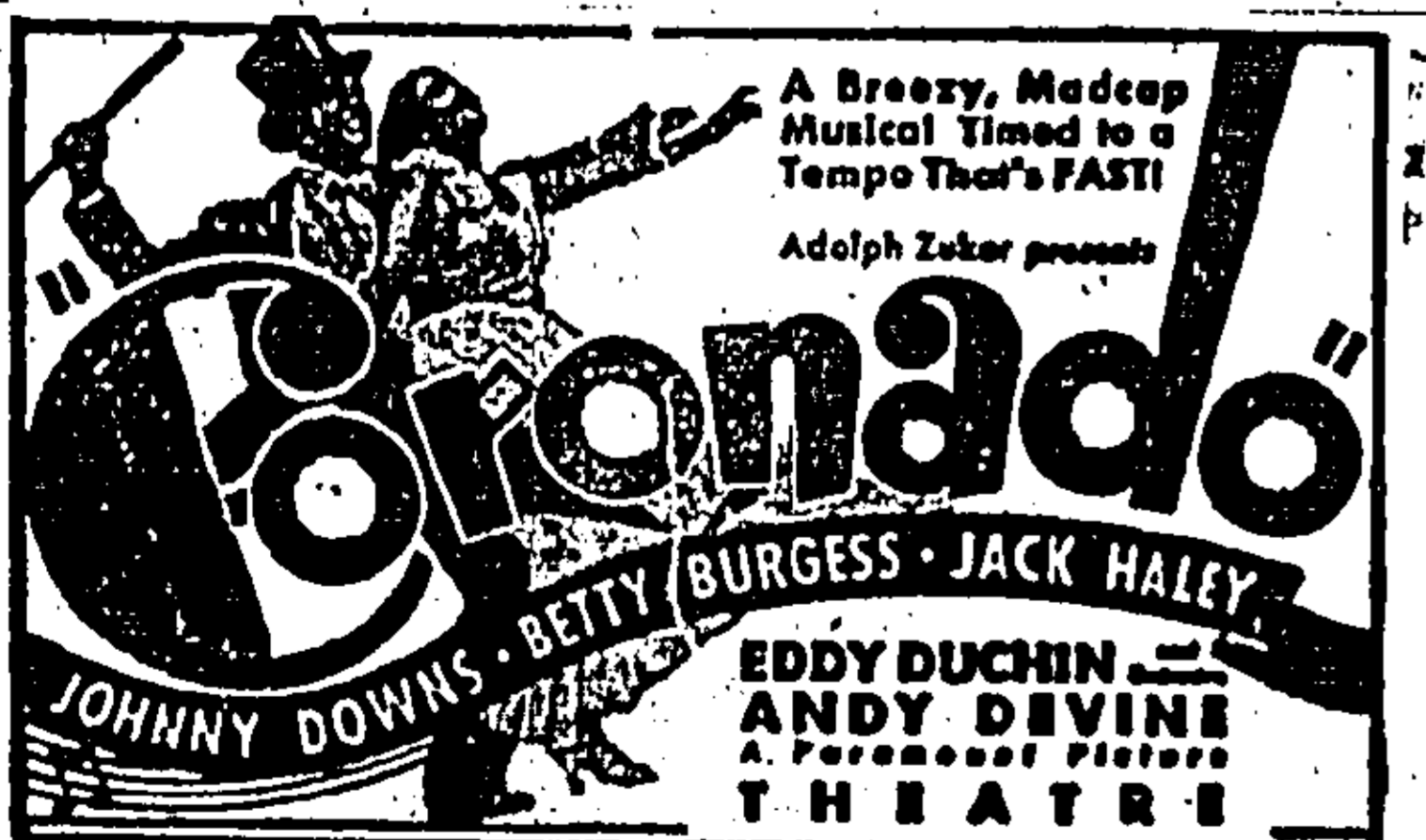
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ITALY DELAYS ACTION**NO RESPONSE TO WHITE PAPER****AND NO EFFORT TO END WAR**

Rome, March 27. Italy will not reply to the British White Paper on the Locarno Powers' proposals for the remedying of the disturbed European situation as a result of Germany's military occupation of the Rhineland and her unilateral denunciation of the Treaty of Locarno. This is the assertion of an authoritative spokesman.

The reason for Italy's refusal to reply, as one of the Locarno signatories, is ascribed to the manner in which the situation has developed.

It is also authoritatively stated that Signor Dino Grandi, the Italian Ambassador in London, has not been authorised to start negotiations with the Committee of Thirteen to settle the Italo-Ethiopian dispute.

The Italians consider that a number of questions, including those of procedure, must first be settled before negotiations commence.—Reuter.

LOCARNO MEETING

Paris, March 27. It is understood that it has been suggested that the Locarno Powers should meet at Paris as soon as possible after the receipt of the German counter-proposals to their formula for the amelioration of the European tension. The German memorandum is expected to be delivered Tuesday, probably by Herr von Ribbentrop, in London. The Locarno Powers wish to discuss the German proposals immediately they are received.

April 3 is the date tentatively suggested for the meeting, but this has not thus far been confirmed.—Reuter.

SAFETY FIRST**NEW LEGISLATION ON LIFTS**

The Gazette contains the draft of an Ordinance to amend the Buildings Ordinance, 1935, whereby the following addition is made after sub-section (4):

"Every such owner shall arrange, preferably by a contract of maintenance with the makers or suppliers of the lift or hoist concerned, or their agents or nominees in the Colony, for regular and adequate cleaning, oiling and adjustment services at such intervals as the type of equipment and nature of the service demands, and at least one in every three years the said owner shall arrange that the safety gear and governor switch, if fitted, shall be subjected to a running test under maximum load and speed conditions under the supervision of a competent engineer, and that a certificate shall be issued to him on the result of each test, such certificate to be signed by the engineer supervising the test. Every such certificate shall be kept by such owner and presented to the Building Authority for inspection whenever demanded."

The Objects and Reasons state that the new sub-section is added to the principal Ordinance with a view to the protection of the public by providing for adequate attention to lifts and hoists. The new sub-section (5) added to that section is mainly based on the provisions of section 8 (a) and (c) of the Code of Practice for the Installation of Lifts and Escalators drafted by the Lifts and Escalators Installation Panel appointed in 1931 by the late Advisory Council for the Building Industry to review such legislation as affected the installation of lifts and escalators in buildings and to report on the need for the revision thereof and the form such revision should take.

TREASURY BILLS

London, Mar. 27. The total amount applied for in tenders for £40,000,000 Treasury bills was £64,815,000. The average rate per cent for bills at three months was 10/0.23d.—British Wireless.

CORRESPONDENCE**The Government And The Volunteers**

(To The Editor, Hongkong Telegraph.)
Sir—I regret that both the Commandant of the H.K.V.D.C. and "Old Bill's" Firstborn appear to have misunderstood the object of my letter. I was not attacking either the individual kindness, nor the regimental efficiency of the Volunteers—far from it—but the apparent attitude of the Hongkong Government towards them.

Because of the state of the world to-day, in spite of the need for reduction of taxation, Britain is increasing its Service votes. In view of the special position of this Colony, and of what is taking place at our very back door, surely it behoves the Government of this Colony to "look to its Moat?" Even in a time of financial stringency the impression is created that the Government is not particularly interested in its own defence, when the H.K.V.D.C. grant is cut down while in other directions no apparent attempt at economy is made, though to the Man-in-the-Street it would appear not only possible but very desirable.

To put it at its lowest, the Volunteers are a form of insurance. While possibly the mercantile community might manage to scrape along under a foreign flag, the Government Service would certainly be out of a job!

The points I raised in my previous letter were meant to illustrate this apparent apathy of the Government, but in view of what your other correspondents have written, may I repeat I was not criticising the regimental arrangements for distribution of food, etc. While these were on a par with those of the Regulars, the latter automatically drew their rations. I have heard definite statements that rations were not allowed for the H.K.V.D.C. and the Commandant's letter appears to bear this out. If this was so, then the food, etc., supplied was paid for either out of regimental funds or by private generosity!

With regard to blankets, I seem to have raised a cloud of flies about my ears! Lt. Col. Dowling ridicules the idea of insulating them for one night. I noticed that every party of Regulars I saw appeared to have them—some had small tents as well—so surely it would not have been molly-coddling the Volunteers if they had been issued? Actually my inference was that there was this difference between Regular and Volunteer equipment because the Government would not provide funds to hire and—or distribute them. If I am wrong, I humbly eat dirt—I drink bamber oil!

"Old Bill's" Firstborn may say that as a keen Volunteer he is prepared to put up with the traditional ingratitude of Governments, but what about Tom Sawyer and Jack Jones who may be thinking of joining up? They are not going to be encouraged to do so, specially if mobilisation for camp or manoeuvre means loss of civil pay. I conclude, may I reiterate I am in no way attacking the Volunteers, but that the Government, in violation of the Economy Axe over their shoulders (?) necks does not suggest an appreciation of the realities of the times.

PRO BONO PUBLICO.**The Rural Orphanage At Tai-po**

Sir—On Monday next, 30th March, Sir Thomas and Lady Southern are to plant the first trees in the new Rural Home at Tai-po. A Boys Orphanage from Wai-lan City and part of the Victoria Home (for girls) are being moved out into the country so that the children may grow up qualified for country life rather than town life.

The Home will be organised in units of twelve children who will do all their own work, cooking, etc.

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We shall welcome all interested in this project at the new site (just North of the 13 1/2 mile stone on the Tai-po Road) from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday, 30th March, and the Treasurer, Mr. J. Bentley of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., and Mr. Tang Shu-kin, 171, Queen's Road, Central, will welcome subscriptions and donations.

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BRITISH UNITED ON POLICY**GOVERNMENT RESUME BRINGS ACCORD**

London, Mar. 27. In political circles there is satisfaction that the House of Commons discussion of the international situation was not further postponed.

The full and remarkably frank statement of the Foreign Secretary in last night's debate has made a profound impression in wide circles, and the only important divergence which seemed to arise between the Opposition and the Government—apart from individual disagreement, such as Mr. Lloyd George's on the staff conversations—will disappear, it is believed, when there has been time for consideration of the Chancellor of the Exchequer's speech at the end of the debate.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain denied the suggestion that the Government was subordinating obligations under the Locarno Convention to the Locarno Convention. The League Covenant remained the keystone of the Government's policy and the obligations of the Covenant would apply equally, whether aggression took place in the East or in the West.—British Wireless.

COLONY FINANCES**HOW LAST YEAR WORKED OUT**

Financial statements for the past year show that the Colony's excess of assets over liabilities on December 31, 1935, was \$12,587,068.

Total revenue for the year was \$28,430,549, compared with an estimate of \$30,685,050. The revenue in 1934 was \$29,574,235.

Expenditure for the year was \$28,201,636, against an estimate of \$32,556,102. In 1934, the expenditure was \$31,149,165.

COMPULSORY TRAINING

Paris, March 27. The Army committee of the French Senate has approved a proposal for compulsory military training for boys.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

EXCHANGE**TO-DAY'S OPENING QUOTATIONS**

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| T.T. Singapore | 1/3 1/4 |
| T.T. Shanghai | 1/3 1/4 |
| T.T. Japan | 1/3 1/4 |
| T.T. India | 55 1/2 |
| T.T. Frisco & New York | 31.15/16 |
| T.T. Java | 40 1/2 |
| T.T. France | 4.8 1/4 |
| T.T. Bangkok | 63 1/2 |
| T.T. Saigon | 14 1/2 |
| T.T. Lisbon | 48 1/2 |
| Buying | |
| 4 m/s. L/C | 1/4 1/4 |
| 4 m/s. D/E | 1/4 1/4 |
| 6 m/s. L/C | 1/4 1/4 |
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| Berlin | 12.21 | 12.21 |
| Milan | 62.7/16 | 62 1/4 |
| Athens | 518 | 518 |
| Shanghai | 1/2.9/16 | 1/2.9/16 |
| New York | 4.95.10/16 | 4.95 |
| Amsterdam | 7.27 1/2 | 7.28 |
| Vincent | 20 1/2 | 20 1/2 |
| Prague | 110 1/2 | 110 1/2 |
| Vienna | 670 | 670 |
| Madrid | 30.5/16 | 30.5/16 |
| Lisbon | 110 1/4 | 110 1/4 |
| Hongkong | 1/3 1/4 | 1/3 1/4 |
| Bombay | 1/6 1/4 | 1/6 1/4 |
| Brussels | 29.24 1/2 | 29.23 1/2 |
| Monte Video | 39.7/16 | 39.7/16 |
| Belgrade | 217 | 217 |
| Montreal | 4.97 1/4 | 4.97 1/4 |
| Yokohama | 1/1.31/32 | 1/2 |
| Rio | 4 1/4 | 4 1/4 |
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